

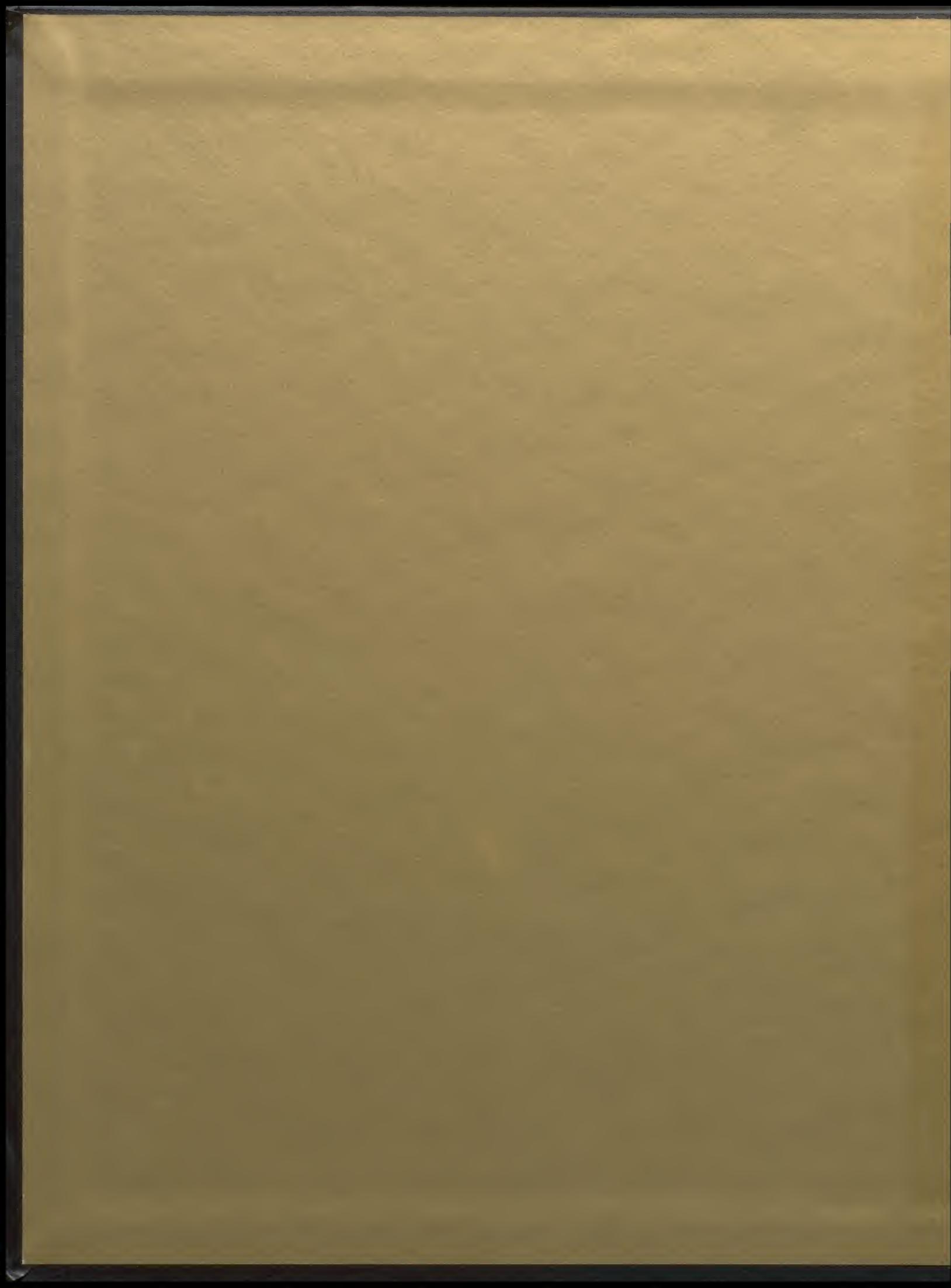
# HOOVER HIGH SCHOOL



Shining bright

into the future 2000









# Shining Bright into the Future

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We Hoover students are courageously leading the pack to the most awaited change in history--the new millennium. The Huskies are dedicated to improving the world beyond one's greatest imagination.

Indeed, it's our time to shine; for we are the leaders of the new millennium. We'll give the little dogs the strength to follow in our footsteps.

The year 2000 is only the beginning, for we intend to outshine the world!



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Spirit Week--Spring  
Student of All Seasons  
Winter Formal

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# B<sub>ea</sub>ming spirit

Homecoming Spirit Week has always been the one time of the year when everyone comes out and supports Hoover High School. There is never any other time that the students show so much school spirit than Homecoming Week.

Flashback Day kicked off Homecoming Week on Tuesday. Wednesday was Dusk 'til Dawn Day. Thursday was Toga Day for the seniors, Twin Day for the juniors, Crazy Hair Day for the sophomores; and for the freshman there was Sports Day. Finally, to conclude the week, on Friday, there was Green and Gold Day for everyone.

Thursday night was the highlight of the week, the tee-pee night. This was the night that the whole school was allowed to destroy the front lawn. Students brought shaving cream and toilet paper. The minute a student came on the lawn, it was everyone for themselves. Shaving cream was thrown on anyone and everyone. Shaving cream bottles became bombs that were thrown across the lawn at another team. At the night's end, Hoover was a white lawn with ghosts.

Friday morning, students and staff arrived at school to see the finishing touches of the night before. A few students decided to make Hoover's front lawn a living room, bringing sofas and recliners.

Despite the bomb threats the school received throughout the week, students and staff can say Homecoming Spirit Week of 1999 was full of different emotions. The week was fun and exciting, with a bit of fear in the minds of the students and staff.

## The Winners of Spirit Week Activities

**Flashback Day:** Senior Nate Thiese

**From Dusk 'til Dawn Day:** Senior Tracy Cochran

**Sports Day:** Freshman Hannah Kirby

**Crazy Hair Day:** Sophomore Lizzie Albright

**Twin Day:** Juniors Erin Whitte, Mary Rodine, Becky Gates

**Toga Day:** Senior Lonnie Carter

**Green and Gold Day:** Senior Sara Ostrander

*Thanks for the school spirit!*

Toga! Toga! Toga!-Senior Joe Tippins shows off his very small toga on senior Toga Day.





**Anyone need some toilet paper?**-Hoover's front lawn on Friday morning.



photo by Joe Shore



**I got'cha**-Seniors Lonnie Carter and Ericka Blake, dressed as boys, hold up senior Mike Collet, dressed as a girl.

**It's number one**-Senior Sara Ostrander says, "Hoover Spirit Week is number one."



photo by Tom Hanlon

## Homecoming Spirit Week

By Meghan Kelso

# Shining royalty

When people look back to their years of high school, they always remember homecoming. They remember the events, the sense of school spirit, the dance, and, of course, the homecoming king and queen.

This year an extra person was added to the list of candidates for both the king and the queen. The reigning of this year's king and queen left six queen nominees and six king nominees.

The student body was encouraged to elect the homecoming court based on activities and involvement at school. For the most part, this was evident in the students who were nominated, most of whom were heavily involved in athletics, music groups, and drama.

Jeremiah May and Nicole Schrader were crowned homecoming king and queen at the pep assembly on October 1, 1999. On being crowned queen, Nicole said, "I was quite surprised that I got queen. It was something that was totally unexpected. It was a real big honor, I thought."



Freshman  
Julia Frey



Freshman  
Ryan Chicoine



Freshman  
Dan Dickinson



Freshman  
Joey Holler



Sophomore  
Gerard Gause



Sophomore  
Nicole McGregor



Junior  
Michael Goetz



Junior  
Emily Andersen



**Homecoming King**  
**Jeremiah May**



**Homecoming Queen**  
**Nicole Schrader**

## **Senior Class Candidates**



**Shannon Bolte**



**Meghan Kelso**



**Amanda Kreyling**



**Michelle Meyer**



**Emily Neve**



**Josh Dreyer**



**Laverne Greenfield**



**Galen Mayes**



**Mark Quiner**



**Forest Weber**

# Shining at homecoming

After a long weekful of activities and bomb threats, on October 2, 1999, the Homecoming Dance was held to wrap up the busy week. All of the Homecoming events were put together by the Homecoming Committee, that began meeting long before anyone even thought about Homecoming.

The committee was led by Sara Cline and Emily Neve and consisted of 24 other students. They put together everything from the theme to tiny details, such as the candy on the tables.

This year's dance theme, "From Dusk 'til Dawn," left room for many ideas. Murals decked the student center, and a skyline set the mood for the dance room, which was in the gym.

The Committee spent all morning at school on that Saturday to get everything picture perfect for the big night. Making this dance picture perfect and light hearted was a difficult feat because of the many bomb threats called into the school throughout the week, yet the Committee still succeeded in making this a night to remember.

All in all, the evening went very well; and students left ready to party. This year's different homecoming proved to be very successful.



*photo by Mullica*

**Posing for the camera**-Seniors Raechel Bradley, Sara Parker, and Lonnie Carter take a minute from dancing to say "cheese."

**Group Shot**-Seniors Thor Aschim, Lizzie Burt, Kari Messerschmidt, Muris Rahmanovic, Lissa Slotterback, Todd Bass, Jon Strutt, Sherry Van Zee, Beth Weiberg, Tim Atkinson, Sara Rivas, Nick Warren, and Erica Owen.





**Smiling for the camera**-Seniors Shauna Kline and Megan Strum pose with their pal Anthony "Abe" Chicoine.



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**Chic Magnet**-Sophomore Anthony Soike enjoys the company of fellow Sophs Heather Howe and Staci Maness, and Freshmen Carly Coppi and Julia Frey.

## Homecoming Dance

By Sara Parker



**Manny Mosley**  
Senior Candidate



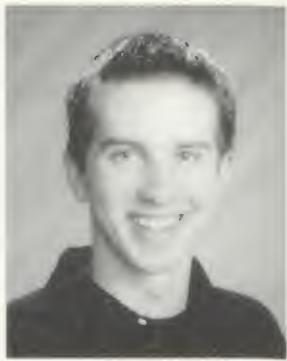
**Sara Cline**  
Senior Candidate



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Senior Candidate



**Sherry Van Zee**  
Senior Candidate



**Josh Dreyer**  
Senior Candidate

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**Vanessa Daniels**  
Student of All Seasons



**Mrs. Barb Jamison**  
Teacher of All Seasons



**Megan Stearns**  
Freshman



**Ebony Woods**  
Sophomore



**Matt Wessing**  
Junior



**Mr. Denis Hildreth**  
Teacher Candidate



**Mr. Chris Honeck**  
Teacher Candidate

# Showing spirit



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**Captains-** Junior Michael Thorsen and Senior Aaron Kuiken talk about their swimming season.

**Sittin' pretty-** Teacher Of All Seasons Mrs. Jamison and her daughter sit through the assembly.

**That was funny-** Senior candidates laugh after a captain said something funny.

**Showing spirit-** Senior students sit back and enjoy the show.

A chance to be awarded the Student of All Seasons is given to nine students every February. Every year each freshman, sophomore, and junior class is represented by one student; and seniors are represented by six students. The students are recognized for their academic achievements, extracurricular activities, and leadership roles; and they are voted on by their peers.

The title of Teacher of All Seasons is also awarded to one teacher for their involvement with the students and the school. These teachers are nominated by their peers, with a final vote and choice by the students.

This year, the underclassmen awarded were freshman Megan Stearns, sophomore Ebony Woods, and junior Matt Wessing.

The six senior candidates were Sara Cline, Vanessa Daniels, Josh Dreyer, Manny Mosley, Emily Neve, and Sherry Van Zee.

The teacher attendants were Mr. Denis Hildreth, Mr. Chris Honeck, and Mrs. Barb Jamison.

On Friday, February 18th, the Student of All Seasons assembly was scheduled. Snow came down heavily that day, giving us a 90 minute early dismissal, therefore, postponing the assembly. On Tuesday the 22nd, the assembly was rescheduled and held.

After much anxiety, the assembly kicked off with the announcement of the winter sports. The attendants then were introduced. After captains spoke for the teams, the cheerleaders and Drill Team performed, including a senior girls' performance with selected freshman boys. The last event on the agenda before announcing the winners was the three-point contest.

Finally, the time had come to announce the 2000 Senior Student and Teacher of All Seasons. The winners were Vanessa Daniels and Mrs. Jamison.

The spirit stick was the traditional last event of the assembly. After the student teachers heard each classes' victory cry, the class of 2000 prevailed.

# This magic moment

Winter Formal for the millennium was held on February 19th. Since it was so close to Valentine's Day, it became a Valentine's dance with the theme "This Magic Moment".

As always, the dance was held at the Des Moines Botanical Center, which created a romantic atmosphere for all of the couples attending. The dance room was set apart from the main dome, as was the karaoke room.

The dance pulled together very well, allowing people to leave with many more fond memories of high school.



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**Showin' some leg**-Freshmen Tina Lothi, Stephanie Kirstein, Julia Frey, and Missi Hirsch lift their skirts to show off for the camera.

**Model behavior**-Senior Laverne Greenfield; junior Michelle Rich; and seniors Travis Dyson, Rachel Pokos, Forest Weber, accompanied by his date, Courtney, put forth their best faces for the photographer.



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**Strike a pose**-Seniors Joe Peterson, Jon Sharp, Jeremiah Crabb, and Mike Collet pose for the photographer.



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**Get down and give me 20!**-Sophomore Jenny Jacobson and senior Megan Boesen show their boys who's boss.

## Winter Formal

By Sara Parker



photo by Sara Ostrander



photo by Sara Ostrander

## Goodbye old friends

When passing through the halls of Hoover High, the students are guided by the familiar landmarks left to them in 1992 by Mr. Wilkerson's art classes.

It is sad to say, though, these paintings will not be here next year to point the flustered freshmen to their new classes; for this is the assigned year to repaint Hoover. While everything is fresh and clean, there is an emptiness lingering through the hallways.

The spirits of these murals will linger in the hearts of the students past and present of Hoover High School.



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### Hallway Murals

By Vanessa Daniels

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# **S**triving for achievement

For many students, reaching the top three percent of their class is a much coveted goal. Many of these students have had expectations for glory for their whole high school career. Finally, they have achieved their goal. The top three percent of this 1999-2000 senior class expressed great pride and happiness at obtaining this recognition.

There have been many years of work put into this accomplishment. From the beginning of their high school career, these students have maintained their high grade point average.

These overachievers' hard work and dedication has paid off; although, they are not done. Look for their names to appear over and over again as the years go on. For now, wish them luck on future accomplishments.



**Joseph David Brott**



**Elizabeth Jean Burt**



**Sidney Louise Butler**



**Sara Jo Cline**



**Tracy Jean Cochran**



**Dianna Marie Deskin**



**Dana Christine Hansen**



**Meredith Lynn Jones**



Meghan Marie Kelso



Shauna Marie Kline



Emily Ann Neve



Erica Ann Owen



Joseph Robert Peterson



Rachel Ann Pokos



Anna Marie Suckow



Joseph Tippins



Amanda Lynn Tripp



Kathryn Van Liew



Sherry Van Zee



Sarah Anne White

# Inspiring scholars

Hoover's Academic Decathlon team was strong in numbers and successful in competition this year, winning eight of the twelve ICN meets within the Des Moines high schools, and finishing second in the city tournament.

The team had 25 members at one point and ended the season taking 18 competitors to the regional competition. These regional competitors were: Andy Curl, Linda Giang, Grant Thompson, Candy Hemphill, Thao Nguyen, Travis Laudick, Zulfikar Bachelani, Meredith Howland and Jerry Buckley.

The Academic Decathlon team met bi-weekly from September through February for study sessions. "Evaluations filled out by students after regionals indicate that these students find it worth the time and energy and even expressed interest in having more frequent study sessions or offering it as a daily class," said Ms. Pilcher.

The team was fortunate enough to be able to spend two school days on study trips related to the AD topics. One study day was spent at the Neal Smith Prairie Learning Center near Prairie City. The other was spent at the Des Moines Art Center, where the students learned about some of the artists on the AD list. While the Academic Decathlon team did not qualify to go to state, the team did receive a total of 11 prizes.



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**Ribbon waving**-Front Row: Candy Hemphill, Thao Nguyen, Ashley Lyons, Row 2: Linda Giang, Meredith Howland, Elizabeth Howland, Erik Eastman, Ngoc Phan, Jennifer Attey, Ena Beganovic; Row 3: Andy Curl, Zulfikar Bachelani, Travis Laudick, Tuyen Phan, Jerry Buckley, Sara Gustafson; Back Row: Grant Thompson and Emily Hotka.

**Intensity**-Andy Curl listens intently as Jerry Buckley, Grant Thompson, and Emily Hotka plan their strategy.

**Taking a break**-Ena Beganovic, Sara Gustafson, Erik Eastman, and Andy Curl are hanging out during a recess.

**Excitement not contained**-Ashley Lyons expresses her excitement as she, Jerry Buckley, and Travis Laudick wait after school for their practice to begin.



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**AD members during a study session Prairie Learning Center-**  
Front: Ashley Lyons; On Wall: Ms. Miriam Woods, Erik Eastman, Thao Nguyen, Linda Giang, La Toya Evans, Jennifer Attey, La Shunda Evans, Candy Hemphill, Meredith Howland, Emily Trump, Sara Gustafson; Standing: Jerry Buckley, Ngoc Phan, Tuyen Phan, Emily Hotka, Grant Thompson, Ena Beganovic, Maggie McGinnis, Terri Radden, Travis Laudick, Zulfikar Bachelani, Beth Howland, Andy Curl, and Ms. Pamela Pilcher.

**Making the mark-Linda Giang smiles as she holds her ribbon at competition.**



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**Running a muck-(Top Right)** Ms. Woods and the members celebrate after placing second in the city tournament.

**Teamwork-Andy Curl, Travis Laudick, Candy Hemphill, and Thao Nguyen are ready to celebrate after competition.**

**Walking away with a win-Zulfikar Bachelani proudly carries his ribbon back to show the group.**

## Academic Decathlon

By La Toya Evans and Ana Albizures

# Showing leadership

Nation Honor Society is a club offered to juniors and seniors who have a grade-point average of 3.5. It is a nationwide organization that gives students a chance to do something good for the community.

Each semester, members participate on both an individual activity and a group level.

This year, members participated in Red Ribbon Week, tying red ribbons on cars. They also collected canned food for the food drive.

"We work hard to get out and volunteer in the community. We try to show leadership and knowledge the best we can," said Sara Cline, this year's president.

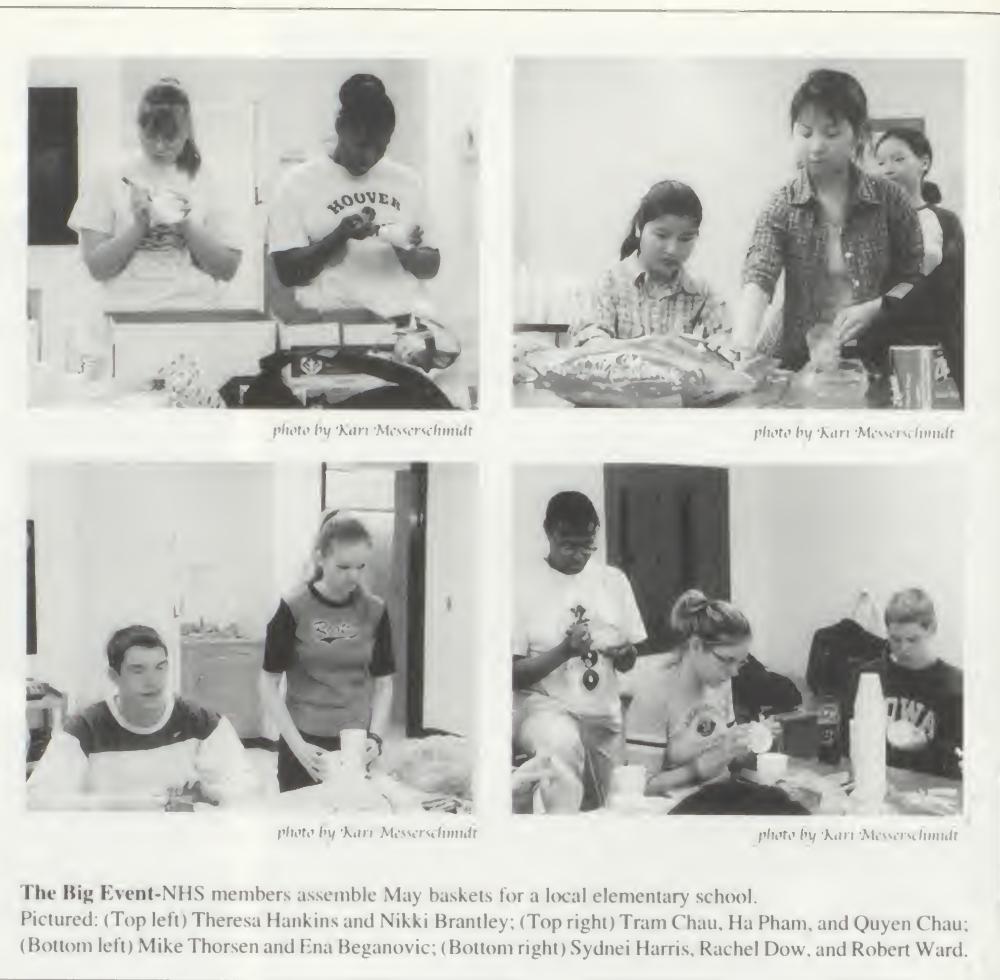


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**The Big Event-NHS members assemble May baskets for a local elementary school.**  
Pictured: (Top left) Theresa Hankins and Nikki Brantley; (Top right) Tram Chau, Ha Pham, and Quyen Chau; (Bottom left) Mike Thorsen and Ena Beganovic; (Bottom right) Sydnei Harris, Rachel Dow, and Robert Ward.

## Seniors

Morgan Bell  
Amy Mertes  
Megan Boesen  
Kari Messerschmidt  
Joe Brott  
Emily Neve  
Elizabeth Burt  
Sidney Butler  
Nhung Ngo  
Quyen Chau  
Hoai Nguyen  
Sara Cline  
Thao Nguyen  
Tracy Cochran  
Erica Owen  
Phung Deo  
Cynthia Pham  
Dianna Deskin  
Ngoc Pham  
Nanthida Deuanepheng  
Rachel Pokos  
Joshua Dreyer

Mark Quiner  
Nicole Ertmann  
Muris Rahmanovic  
Dana Hansen  
Lissa Slotterback  
Sydnei Harris  
Andrew Stoltze  
Candace Hemphill  
Megan Strum  
Elizabeth Hotka  
Anna Suckow  
Meredith Jones  
Nicholas Thompson  
Meghan Kelso  
Joseph Tippins  
Joanna Kirstein  
Amanda Tripp  
Shauna Kline  
Kathryn Van Liew  
Amanda Kreyling  
Sherry Van Zee  
Timothy Lawson

## Juniors

Holly Bartlett  
Elliott Hoffman  
Ena Beganovic  
Kimberly Jones  
Amanda Bethards  
Tram Le  
Sanja Borkovic  
Nhut Ly  
Tia-Nichol Bougher  
Nhu-Quynh Nguyen  
Nicole Brantley  
Matthew Nizzi  
Anastasia Busiek  
Ha Pham  
Jennifer Case  
Michelle Rich  
Tram Chau  
Seth Rowland  
Samantha Collins  
Hajrija Samardzic

Andrew Curl  
Tanasha Taylor  
Di Dao  
Michael Thorsen  
Rachel Dow  
Tara Tidwell  
Katherine Farlow  
Micaela Tuttle  
Jodi Frederiksen  
Ronald Vernia  
Jennifer Gable  
Robert Ward  
Nichole Gardner  
April Wells  
Sara Gustafson  
Teresa Hankins  
Cameron Hawkins  
Mathew Highland  
Brian Hiskey



**Tying knots**-Seniors Amy Mertes and Elizabeth Hotka tie a ribbon to Tim Lawson's car for Red Ribbon Week.

## Career Pathway Quotes

"I think that career pathways is a great idea for all students. I know that I want to do something related to business; and I'm in the business career pathway, which gives me an idea of the sort of things I will be doing."

Freddy Walker  
Freshman

"A goal is a dream with a deadline."

Aaron Thomas  
Junior

"They did not push the whole career pathway thing as much as they did last year. No one really takes it seriously."

Ana Albizures  
Junior

Career Pathways, a program started three years ago, allows students to explore different career fields. This will provide them with more information to use in making decisions about college majors, technical training, and employment choices. During homeroom, kids set goals pertaining to schools and careers, as well as their personal lives.

This is the only year that there have not been collaboration days. However, there have still been opportunities for guest-speakers. There are six career pathways. Students can change pathways as they learn more about themselves, their interests, and the different pathways.



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**Group work**-Family/Human Services homeroom students are always ready to lead a discussion.

**Don't blink**-Students in the Agriscience/Natural Resources homeroom really know how to stay attentive.

**Strikin' a pose**-Models show off the newest styles Younkers has to offer.

**Workin' on packets**-Students fill out packets for career pathways.

# Bright futures

Central Campus has become the mecca for academic excellence. Hoover students travel the distance to experience the thrill of challenging themselves.

Central is really two schools in one, Central Campus and Central Academy.

The Academy is for accelerated learning and college-preparation classes for that extra bit of a challenge.

The Central Campus is filled with an assortment of opportunities for a person's study in a hands-on learning environment.

The Campus allows for students from Hoover, as well as students from the other high schools, to look into the future and find the career area most suited for them.



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**Helping out-**Megan Boesen watches as her fellow Central student works on the computer in Commercial Photo class.

**Posing for a shot-**Lissa Slotterback, Lizzie Burt, and Jake Shannon pretend to not notice that their picture is being taken.

**On her own-**Kari Messerschmidt makes the grade in her AP English Lit. Class.



photo by Kari Messerschmidt



photo by Kari Messerschmidt



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Huddle up** - The P.E.O.P.E.L. PE class smiles for the team shot. Front Row: Erik Paul, Juan Perez, Kendric Birden, Scott Overton, Heather McCaune, Corey Clayton; Row 2: Michelle Allison, Kyle Pearce, Mimi Kiir, Carly Coppi, James Cook, Ashley Brooks, Jennifer Darnielle, Russel Anderson, Tanasha Taylor, Adam Reynolds; Row 3: Sarah Dunbar, Rachel Moll, Maggie McGinnis, Kris Kuilema, Brian Schnoor, Amanda Lamb; Row 4: Hannah Edwards, Jennifer Preston, Betsy Scroggs, Bryan Johnson, Andrew Beynan, John Wur; Row 5: Katie Meade, Amy Cornwell, Bethany Deskin, Ryan Smiley, Joe Weiberg, Savanna Richardson, Wilshya White, Julie Talcott, Jonathan Stevens; Row 6: Erica English, Missie Waldrop, Rataya Thomas, Temeshia Thompson, Danesha Minor, Jessica Williams, Tierra Gunn; Row 7: Alex Rohlwing, Tasha Simson, Ashley Graham, Ashlee Burkett, LaRee Williams, Luke Burgus, Carrie Brown, Brian Salyers, Bonnie Griffin.



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**Aim High**-Mimi Kiir, Ashlee Burkett, and Bethany Deskin practice their shots.

**Heads up**-Erik Paul shows his classmates how it's done.

## Helping hands

"Anybody can perform better if they have help from someone who cares," said Ms. Cynthia Grandquist, advisor and teacher for this program. With a motto like that, it is no wonder the Hoover High School P.E.O.P.E.L. PE. program has reached record breaking numbers.

The P.E.O.P.E.L. PE class has been under the direction of Ms. Grandquist for the past 10 years. She has taken her special blend of helpers to Unified Sports Day, Special Olympics, bowling, ice skating with the Buccaneers, sledding, golfing, and so much more.

With so many other groups and clubs here at Hoover High School, it is the P.E.O.P.E.L. helpers that have the gift of caring down to a fine art.

So watch out Hoover! Here come the P.E.O.P.E.L.



photo provided by Katie Meade

**Just a little team work**-Joe Weiberg and John Wur work together to make the mark

**Vice President honored**-Katie Meade honors Vice President Al Gore with a handshake at the World Special Olympic.

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# Better than before

Although Student Council was once again faced with mixed reactions to its activities this year, it successfully managed lots of unique projects.

One of the biggest annual activities is the holiday baskets given to families in need. For many years, families have relied on Student Council members to help brighten the smiles on their children's faces during the holidays, which might not have been possible without the Council's involvement.

The community has appreciated the way they jazz the area up with an abundance of flowers during Earth Day and the lives of so many people.

"Hoover High School's uniqueness lies in the diversity of its student body. This year the Student Council is trying to tap into this diversity by planning a cultural festival. The purpose of this is to showcase Hoover's diversity to the community and get the community involved in our school," said President Mark Quiner.

**A moment to relax**-Treasurer Megan Kollings takes a chance to kick back during a Student Council meeting.

**Undivided attention**-Student Council members listen attentively to the executive board during a meeting.



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**Student Council Board**-Secretary Nicole Schrader, Vice-President Nate Thiese, President Mark Quiner, and Treasurer Megan Kollings pose for the executive picture.

**Checking it out**-Sophomore Anthony Soike looks closely at his agenda.



photo by Eric Bolte

### S.A.D.D.

Elizabeth Ackley  
Ana Albizures  
Pinky Aomahano  
Amidea Carr  
Kalmal Columan  
Ryan Cooper  
Alicia Courtney  
Chelsea Cunningham  
Vanessa Daniels  
Nanthida Deuanepheneh  
La Shunda Evans  
La Toya Evans  
Jessica Fiene  
Amanda Heck  
Katie Hensyel  
Michelle Jackovic  
Meghan Kelso

### I.C.P.

Shauna Kline  
Danielle Leon  
Soun Ngan  
Sara Ostrander  
Joe Petterson  
Anne Pham  
Cong Pham  
Ciy Pham  
Judith Quinones  
Beth Reese  
Joe Tippins  
Raean VanGundy  
Sherry Vanzee  
Freddy Walker  
Paul Ware  
Shantoria Young

**The beginning-(Left)** Linh Dinh, Hieu Pham, and sponsor Vin Nguyen at the organizational meeting for A.S.H. club.

**The S.A.D.D. team-(Left bottom)** Front Row: La Toya Evans, Elizabeth Hotka, Judith Quinones, Vanessa Daniels; Middle Row: Meghan Kelso, Ana Albizures, La Shunda Evans, Sara Ostrander, Amy Mertes, Raean VanGundy; Back Row: Joe Tippins.

**Beautifying the gym-(Below)** Sara Cline and Emily Neve use their decorating skills to make the gym a place suitable for dancing.



**Zorica Pranjovic**  
Grade 11

"ICP is so much fun because I get to learn about different cultures."



photo by Sara Parker

## Making a change

There are many clubs and committees a student has to choose from at Hoover. Taking part in some of these clubs has many benefits for the students, as well as for the school.

"This is one of the better organized committees. It's so much fun, so well organized. It's self-driven and self-motivated," said sponsor of the spirit committee, Ms. Stetson. We wonder why it's going so well. That's because "it's time consuming," said senior Sara Parker, "but the dance pulls together very well."

The Inter-Cultural Program represents the many diverse students here at Hoover. It is sponsored by Mrs. Spicer, Mrs. Ochoa, and Mr. Griffin. "The students are very dedicated to promoting racial harmony and educating others about cultures and ethnic groups," said Mrs. Ochoa. A new club that started this year is A.S.H., Asian Students at Hoover, which was started to promote cultural awareness and support of the Asian community here in Des Moines.

The Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) is sponsored by Mr. Carlson. "Our mission is to share information about the consequences about destructive decisions," said Mr. Carlson.

All of our clubs work hard to promote what they believe is right.



photo by MaryAnn Spicer



photo by Tom Hanlon

## Student Clubs

By Judith Quinones

# Leadership starts here

Junior ROTC's mission to motivate young people to be better citizens has continued through many years. Army JROTC is active in more than 1,350 high schools worldwide and prepares high school students for responsible leadership roles.

Every member of the Army JROTC is special and brings a different cultural dimension to the program. It uses military skills to teach self-discipline and to build confidence. Speaking of character, the JROTC program has it! It offers many opportunities for teamwork, advancement, and self-enrichment that are not available in other high-school courses.

Outside activities, which include community-service projects, become opportunities to acquire the knowledge, discipline, and sense of responsibility that is necessary to take charge of one's future.



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**Posing proud**-(Top) JROTC cadets from schools throughout the greater Des Moines area take a break from drills to take a group shot.

**Leadership**-(Middle left) Cadet Sarah Whitten stands in front of the other cadets during the summer-camp closing ceremony.

**Roping it up**-(Middle right) Hoover cadets help each other get safely across the rope.

**Pep talk**-(Bottom left) MSG Joe Chargulauf briefs the JROTC cadets as they begin the land navigation course.

**Lean on me**-JROTC cadets lend a helping hand during a practice drill for a navigation course.



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**Cindy Pham**  
Grade 12

*"It's an individual, yet group effort and worth all the work."*



photo by Joe Brott

**Lonnie Carter**  
Grade 12

*"Working on the newspaper and the yearbook is hard. It takes hard work and dedication and drives me insane sometimes."*

**Carrying the load**-As Co-Editors-in-Chief, Seniors Anna Suckow and Joe Brott bear the responsibility of meeting each deadline.

**The staff:** Top row from left to right: Nick Carter, Tom Craig, Joe Brott, Rob Griffith, Chris Talcott; bottom row: Julie Williams, Hieu Pham, Rachel Dow, Lonnie Carter, Cindy Pham, Anna Suckow, and Ms. Keebler.

**Meetin' the deadline**-Juniors, Chris Talcott, Tom Craig, and Rob Chriffith, work hard on their pages.



photo by Sara Ostrander

## Making news

The Challenger staff consisted of sixteen people this year. This was a little smaller than previous years, but the paper was still out on time each time.

"Although we were small, we were an energetic, competent staff; and we represented the new millennium with enthusiasm," Advisor Ms. Keebler said.

As most of us know, the Challenger comes out once every three weeks, which makes for a fast-paced class as students rush to meet deadlines.

A big change this year was there were two editors instead of one, Anna Suckow and Joe Brott shared this task. Other members included Rachel Dow, Hieu Pham, Rob Griffith, Chris Talcott, Nick Carter, Julie Williams, Tom Craig, and Cindy Pham.



photo by Emily Horka

# Raising the standard

The 1999-2000 yearbook staff consisted of 17 seniors and 5 juniors with only one person returning from last year. The class had many goals and worked very hard to achieve them.

This year, numbers continued to rise. The number of students working on the yearbook went up along with the number of computers made available to them.

The extra computers enabled the crew to focus on goals such as correcting mistakes made in previous years and giving as many people as possible coverage. "Everyone worked hard to get their assignments in by the due date," Editor Meghan Kelso said.

The goals the staff had in mind for this year meant a lot of work for everyone. The class was split into groups of photographers, writers, and business managers.

Everyone put in the extra effort to get the Husky yearbook going. Junior Ana Albizures said, "The yearbook was a lot of work, but it was so much fun that our hard work paid off."

**Working ahead**-Junior Sokisha Lyons and Seniors Latoya Evans, Beth Weiberg, Judith Quinones, and Lashunda Evans consult with Ms. Keebler on the proofing of their pages.

**Taking a break**-The yearbook staff takes a break to pose for their group shot.

Top row: Elizabeth Hotka, Sara Ostrander, Lonnie Carter, Joseph Tippins, Eric Bolte, Kyle Lynch, Tom Hanlon, and Kari Messerschmidt; Middle row: Advisor Debrah Keebler, Judith Quinones, La Toya Evans, Vanessa Daniels, Elizabeth Weiberg, Sara Parker, Megan Strum, Meghan Kelso; Front row: Tonya Rodriguez, Ana Albizures, Sokisha Lyons, La Shunda Evans, Amy Mertes, Raean Van Gundy.



**Meghan Kelso**  
Yearbook Editor

*"We worked a lot this year on trying to satisfy everyone in the school."*



photo by Sara Ostrander



photo by Rob Griffith



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**Planning time**-Seniors Judith Quinones and Beth Weiberg discuss the format of this year's yearbook.



photo by Eric Bolte

**Focusing**-Junior Kyle Lynch takes a picture for the yearbook.



photo by Mr. Johnson



photo by Mr. Johnson



photo by Eric Bolte

## Debate

By La Toya Evans



**Lainey Kinzel**  
Grade 10

"It's fun being in debate because I get yelled at for arguing at home; but in debate I can get a chance to express my opinions freely."



**Aaron Thomas**  
Grade 11

"Debate: The art of listening to an opponent's view and understanding it, then crushing his ignorant opinions with your cunning intellect."

**Order in the court**-The gavel continues to be the traditional symbol of maintaining law and order, whether you are a student in debate or a lawyer in the courtroom.

**Players in the court room**-Participants in debate contests and demonstrations consisted of: Front row: Adam Collins, Tia Bouger, Eboney Woods, Cameron Hawkins, Christina Dingman, Staci Maness; Back row: Katie Kaiser, Aaron Thomas, Emily Hotka, Zulfikar Bachelani, David Farlow, Tuyen Phan and Andrew Beynen.

You're tuned into K-DOG radio station-The forensics class is preparing for their radio broadcast assignment.

## **P**uking it out with words

The debate team was very pleased with the new additions to the team this year. With newcomers like Cameron Hawkins and Adam Collins, the team experienced some very successful tournaments.

The debate team headed off to a tournament just about every other weekend during the fall, with the annual state debate held in January. The Husky team expected great accomplishments at this year's state tournament, "and what we want is what we get," said junior Tia Bouger.

The team was small in numbers, but that didn't stop them from arguing the issues at hand. "It's not just arguing, it is deep discussion of two opposing sides--and someone always wins," said Bouger.

Mr. Johnson said this year's debate team has produced "very consistent performances from most of our upperclassmen, and a host of new talent for the seasons ahead. We were able to bring home some type of award from each contest."



# Playing with video

When we see fellow students running around with video cameras and see their music videos, we think, "Oh, they must be in Radio/T.V."

However, there is more than just making T.V. promos and music videos in Radio/T.V. The students in Radio/T.V. are responsible for making the video yearbook.

Throughout the year, they collect "bulk" footage from games, meets, and other school activities. When they are finished collecting footage, they make a "final edit."

They then select music and get permission from the people who own the music before they can use it.

"It's a great class. It helps you know what you're going to do in the future. It gives you a jump on college," said Alex Tiggis.

Radio/T.V. not only gives the students hands-on experience, but also gives them a chance to use their creativity.

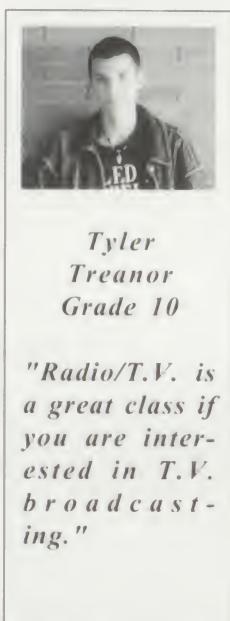


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**Changing the scene**-Junior Alex Tiggis reviews footage for video yearbook.



photo by Tom Hanlon



*Tyler  
Treanor  
Grade 10*

*"Radio/T.V. is a great class if you are interested in T.V. broadcasting."*



photo by Tom Hanlon

**Capturing the moment**-Senior Munchello Dock and juniors David Chatwood and Brandon Wesley get ready to film for Radio/T.V.



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**Listen up**-Tiffany Robb and Meredith Middle School students listen to Mr. Claussen give helpful hints.

**Getting ready**-Kristen Snyder and Tiffany Robb get ready to play.

**Taking a break**-Erika Valles, Kelly Thorsen, Jermaine Jackson, Tiffany Robb, and Valerie Mayer relax on the floor.



photo provided by Derek Claussen



photo by Derek Claussen

**Jerry Buckley**  
Senior

"I was fortunate to have the same orchestra teacher for four years. Orchestra went from o.k. to very great over the years."

## Loosening strings

Orchestra members participate in school concerts, orchestra festivals, and state competitions. This year they had two state competitions, one in April and the other in May.

Many members went on the annual trip. This year, they went to Chicago.

This is the first year for "Loose Strings," a new group of orchestra members that met in the mornings to work on unique pieces different from standard orchestra music.

"I am very proud of what orchestra is accomplishing. The orchestra is now trying to form a bond with the band by starting a full Symphony Orchestra which will add a dimension which is missing to the Hoover Music Department," said orchestra director, Derek Claussen.

# Marching to the top

The 1999-2000 Husky Marching Band was directed by Rick Stendel and drum majors Emily Neve and Jenny Fravel. The band performed at all home games, two marching competitions, and the Beaverdale Fall Festival Parade.

Section leaders led the individual instrumental sections. Junior Joel Gettys led the percussion section; junior Bob Ward led the saxophone section; junior Brad Miller led the low brass; Senior Elizabeth Hotka led the high brass; and Senior Diana Deskin led both the flute and clarinet sections.

The band worked very hard together every morning at 7:00 a.m. The veteran juniors and seniors unified to help the rookie freshmen and sophomores learn the basics of marching.

The band persevered through the season and produced good ratings, with a two rating at both the Valleyfest and State marching contests.



*photo by Josten's Photography*

**Striking a pose-(Above)** Savanna Richardson poses during a routine at a marching contest.

**Leading the way-(Bottom left)** Megan Farlow and Holly Bartlett lead the way with the Hoover Band banner.



*photo by Sara Ostrander*



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Taking a break**-The Hoover brass takes a breather during a break in a song.

**Perfect form**-Laura Hudson toots her piccolo at a marching contest.



photo by Josten's Photography



**Sapphire DeBrown**  
Grade 11



**Rachell Moll**  
Grade 10

"If I had to choose one thing to rewind and play over again, it would be band. Most of my favorite memories include the band program."

"Band is fun and interesting experience. You learn a lot about musical things that will help the musically inclined."



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Ten hut!**-Director Rick Stendel gets the band in line before a performance.

## Marching Band

By Sarah Parker

# Playin' those jazzy tunes

The Hoover Jazz Band is yet another group in the music department. They work hard all year with the leadership of their director Rick Stendel.

The students rehearsed during fourth hour and a couple mornings a week at 7:00 a.m. They rehearsed for numerous concerts and contests which were held throughout the year.

The Jazz band also hosted two jazz festivals here at Hoover. Those festivals were the District Jazz Festival and the State Jazz Festival.

Each participating student worked hard, but enjoyed the year. The players and staff look onto next year with high expectations.

**The Hoover Jazz Band-**  
Top row: Ben Busiek, Josh West, Candy Hemphill, Mike Thorsen, Holly Bartlett, and Kristin Snyder; Middle row: Director Rick Stendel, Kevin LeBeau, Colin Rail, Brad Miller, Matt Miller, Andy Curl, Nate McCarty, and Chad Parker; Bottom Row: Joel Gettys, Mark Quiner, Amanda Clark, Bob Ward, Emily Hotka, and Adam Heathcote.



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**Playin' that funky music-**  
Brad Miller, Colin Rail, and Candy Hemphill jam before class officially begins.

**Jammin'-**Drummer Nate McCarty concentrates on his music.

**Practice makes perfect!**-  
Ben Busiek and Nate McCarty practice their music during downtime at a jazz band rehearsal.



photo by Sara Dunbar



photo by Sarah Dunbar



photo by Anna Deskin



photo by Anna Deskin

**Focus!**-Junior Josh West, Junior Jenny Fravel, Freshman Abby Leiman, Sophomore Jenny Attey, Freshman Clayton Veach, and Sophomore David Hunsberger pay close attention to their music.

**Sight Seeing**-Members of the Hoover Band check out the sights in Chicago. Top Row: Jonathan Moulin, Seth Rowland, Bob Ward, Mike Thorsen, Alex Clayton, Austin Baeth, and Alec Davis. Middle Row: Clayton Veach, Emily Hotka, Elizabeth Hotka, Bethany Deskin, Dianna Deskin, and Thao Nguyen. Bottom Row: Holly Bartlet, Emily Neve, Jenny Fravel, Sapphire DeBrown, William Jefferson, Theresa Quiner, and Abby Leiman.

## Classy notes

The Hoover Concert Band consists of students from all four grades. The band was directed by Rick Stendel, and they participated in many contests, as well as played for home basketball games.

One of the highlights of this year was the trip the band took to Chicago for four days in March. Over Spring Break, the band took off to take part in the "Windy City Tour" by performing at two performances.

The Concert Band also put on many concerts during the year and played at the annual Adventureland Contest. The year was very busy for these performers, but they worked hard and look forward to more great experiences in the Hoover music department.



**Ashley Messer**  
**Freshman**

**"The trip to Chicago was a neat experience because we got to work with the Concordia University band director."**



photo by Emily Rosenberger

**Making pretty music**-Ashlee Sharp, Amanda Shirley, and Amanda Clark practice on their saxophones.



photo by Emily Rosenberger

**Break time**-Matt Miller and John Nentl take a break at classroom practice.



photo by Emily Rosenberger

**Study time**-Sarah Pratt and Nikki Lloyd get together on their music.



photo by Emily Rosenberger

**In time together**-Abby Leiman and Jenny Attey practice their clarinets in class.

### Concert Band

By Sara Parker

# Young voices of success

Linda Vanderpool directed this year's Prep Choir with the help of Jeremy Nuss who is a Vocal Instructor. Each year, Jeremy and Ms. Vanderpool have specific goals for the choir; then they try their hardest to help the students achieve those goals.

In the past, numbers have been low where choir members are concerned; but more and more students have joined to bring those numbers up. All of Hoover's choirs have grown significantly over the last five years.

Not only have numbers risen, but so has the talent of the choirs. This growing talent is clearly displayed in the Prep Choir, which is solely made up of freshmen.

High expectations are invested in this group of freshmen. They are expected to carry on the tradition of talented choirs at Hoover.



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Preparing to sing**-The Hoover Prep Choir prepares to warm up for the day.

**Directing towards success**-Director Linda Vanderpool directs the choir.

**Concentrating hard**-The tenor section works hard to learn its part of the music.



photo by Linda Vanderpool



**Nicole Pryor**

Grade 9

"It's really been a good experience as far as developing skills to work together. Mrs. Vanderpool does a great job pointing us in the right direction."



**Alex Rohlwing**

Grade 9

"Choir is a great chance for people to not just sing better but also to learn music theory and what goes along with singing. And it's fun."

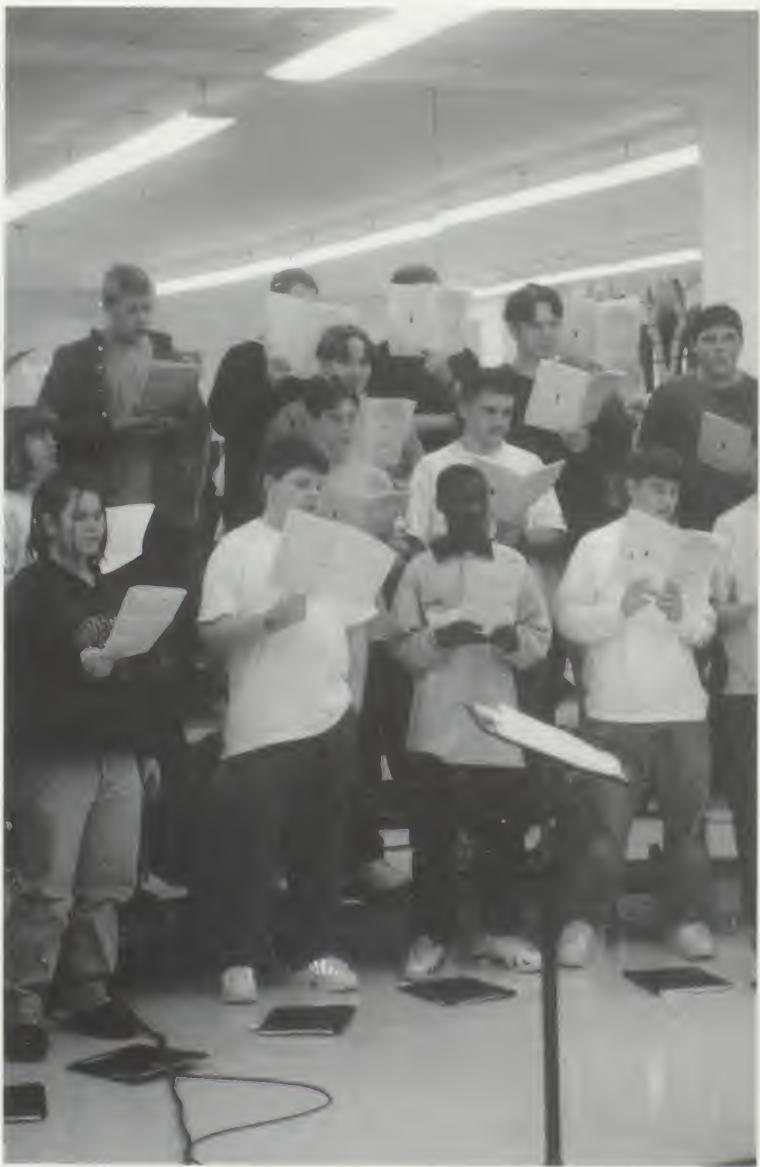


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photo by Sara Parker



**Johanna Wiese**  
Grade 12

"Concert Choir is a lot of fun. Mrs. Vanderpool and Jeremy showed us how to combine work and having a great time. As a German exchange student, the choir was a great experience for me."



**Alisha Steward**  
Grade 10  
"It's fun teamwork. The best part is when you learn a piece and can sing it. It helps us decide what to do in the future."

**Sound sensations-(top left)** The altos provide the support for the concert choir.

**Movin' it out**-The ladies of the concert choir use specific techniques to improve the quality and strength of their voices.

**Raisin' it high-(below)** The sopranos sing with spirit.



photo by Linda Vanderpool

## Singing to the top

Despite all of the changes, the concert choir was successful again this year. Because of the good reputation they have gained over the years, they received numerous requests to sing at public events.

In the fall, the students attended a clinic in Ames at C.Y. Stevens Auditorium. The clinic was given by a famous composer, Moses Hogan, who wrote "The Battle of Jericho."

Every day students vigorously worked to learn music for upcoming concerts. Concerts were held in October, February, and May.

The choir ended the year by singing at Commencement, which was held on May 27th.



photo by Linda Vanderpool

### Concert Choir

By Sara Parker

# Singing with soul

Hoover Harmony is a very select group in Hoover's Vocal Department. Each member was heavily involved in other choirs at Hoover and in different activities at the school.

The members of Hoover Harmony for 1999-2000 were: Seniors Jessica Neff, Emily Neve, Mark Quiner, Andrew Stoltze, Katie Van Liew; juniors Annie Busiek, Joel Gettys, Sean Glynn, Brad Miller, Ariel Stokka; and sophomore Laura Hudson.

Each member worked very hard to learn the music and sing it accurately. Once they sang together, they were rewarded with the wonderful sound of their talent.

In general, all of the members enjoyed the year and are anxious to see who will be in Harmony next year.



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**Practice makes perfect**-Junior Sean Glynn, senior Mark Quiner, and junior Joel Gettys sing their hearts out during classtime.

**Say "Cheese"**-Seniors Andy Stoltze, Jessica Neff, and Katie Van Liew can smile and sing at the same time.



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Performance art**-Junior Brad Miller waits his turn as senior Jessica Neff sings during an assembly.

**A grand performance**-Sophomore Laura Hudson and seniors Mark Quiner and Emily Neve entertain during an all-school assembly.



**Samantha Collins**  
Grade 11

"I feel like we have had a lot of pressure on us to be successful, but we've still had fun."



*photo by Sara Parker*



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**Learning new moves-** (Left) Chamber choir discovers that sometimes it's not about learning new music; it's about learning to step to the music.

**Working hard-**(Middle) The Chamber Choir learns new music for a future concert.

**Sitting but not resting-**(Left bottom) Chamber Choir studies under the direction of Dr. Bruce Chamberlain from UNI during All-State Workshop on October 7.

**The All-Staters-**(Below) Jenny Jacobson, Emily Neve, Josh Dreyer, and Katie Van Liew show off their medals from All-State competition.



*photo by Linda Vanderpool*

## Singing with class

This year a new choir was developed out of 25 students. These students auditioned to be in Chamber Choir last year and were selected due to the musical talent that they possessed.

Each member of Hoover's Chamber Choir auditioned for the All-State Choir in October. Four students were accepted, including seniors Josh Dreyer, Emily Neve, and Katie Van Liew, and sophomore Jenny Jacobson.

The choir also took a trip to New York City in April to sing at the New York Choral Festival. Out of all the high schools and colleges in Iowa, Hoover was the only school to be accepted.

**Half full**-Junior Ena Beganovic, as part of Peer Helpers, pours a refreshing cup of water for Mrs. Ann Backstrom during parent conferences.

**Take 5**-Peer Helpers Tuyen Phan, Heather Howe, Staci Maness, and Kara Gappa taking a break during open house.

**Comradery**-Mrs. Jan Callan Mashek, Muris Rahamanovic, Philip Cavan, Anthony Soike, Judith Quinones, and Falisha Flatt demonstrate the end result of conflict managers by sharing a group hug.



*photo provided by Mrs. Jan Callan Mashek*

## Students lending a hand

The Peer Helper program is a group of students dedicated to helping others. This year, they participated in Rock N' Prevention, an organization designed to teach younger children how to say no to drugs and alcohol.

Peer Helpers also take time out of their busy schedules to tutor students who have requested extra help. "Being a peer helper means lending a helping hand even when you don't have the time," Senior Tonya Rodriguez, a peer helper for two years, said.

Conflict Managers is another organization that focuses on helping kids solve their problems. They help students overcome problems and learn to cope with the stresses of high-school life. Conflict Managers also participate in numerous activities including an annual fall breakfast.



**Falisha Flatt**  
*Senior Manager*

"Becoming a conflict manager has given me memories that will last a lifetime."



**Judith Quinones**  
*Senior Peer Helper*

"I really enjoyed volunteering for Rock N' Prevention. I think I had more fun dancing and singing than the kids."



**12th Grade**  
Mike Collet  
Nanthida Deuanepheng  
La Shunda Evans  
La Toya Evans  
Sokira Ieng  
Michelle Jackovich  
Meghan Kelso  
Shauna Kline  
Joe Peterson  
Ngoc Phan  
Judith Quinones  
Chau Quyen  
Tonya Rodriguez  
Jon Sharp  
Joe Tippins  
Sherry Van Zee

## Peer Helpers

**11th Grade**  
Zufikar Bachelani  
Witney Baldwin  
Ena Beganovic  
Nikki Brantley  
Ashlee Burkett  
Denaya Clayborne  
Nicole Gardner  
Teresa Hankins  
Kim Jones  
Stephanie Kelly  
Ron Kepple  
Jeremy Masterson  
Kristi Pddycoart  
Hieu Pham  
John Roberts  
Brandy Shively  
Tara Tidwell  
Micaela Tuttle

**10th Grade**  
Belma Bejovic  
Ellayna Burgs  
Amanda Clark  
Jessica Fiene  
Lauren Fox  
Kara Gappa  
Tim Hedrick  
Heather Howe  
Carrie Lumley  
Stacie Maness  
Katie Meade  
Soun Ngan  
Tuyen Pham  
Feth Anne Reese  
Laura Ryan  
Spomenka Tudovic  
Eboney Woods



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## Conflict Managers

**12th Grade**  
Chris Anderson  
Philip Cavan  
Nicole Ertmann  
Falisha Flatt  
Abby Foster  
Stratton George  
Judith Quinones  
Muris Rahamanovic  
**11th Grade**  
Emily Anderson  
Kody Harris  
Cameron Hawkins  
Kim Nguyen  
Dan Wright  
**10th Grade**  
Kourtni Carr  
Tim Hedrick  
Andrea Nulph  
Philip Snowbarger  
Anthony Soike  
Tory White  
Nick Young



*photo by Sara Ostrander*  
**Peer Helpers**-Front row: Kim Jones, Meghan Kelso, Joe Peterson, Nanthida Deuanepheng, Sherry Van Zee, Katie Meade, Belma Bejovic, Amanda Clark, Laura Ryan, Amanda Heck, LaToya Evans; Row 2: Joe Tippins, Sokira Ieng, LaShunda Evans, Teresa Hankins, Eboney Woods, Tim Hedrick, Lauren Fox, Zufikar Bachelani, Mrs. Campbell, Tonya Rodriguez; Row 3: Katie Hensyel, Jessica Fiene, Spomenka Tudovic, Ena Beganovic, Beth Anne Reese, Heather Howe, Staci Maness, Kara Gappa, Carrie Lumley, Brandi Shively.

## Peer Helpers/Conflict Managers

By La Toya Evans

Hoover High School presents

# Sweeney Todd

October 21, 22, 23

7:30 p.m.

The Demon  
Barber of  
Fleet Street!



By C.G. Bond

Artwork by Dan Kaminski



photo by Kirk Johnson

## Sweeney Todd

By Sara Parker



Emily Neve  
Senior

*"Sweeney Todd was a challenge but the dedication of the cast helped to pull of a great show."*



Jenny Fravel  
Junior

*"I enjoyed doing Sweeney Todd and was pleased at how it turned out."*

## Shining on stage

Typically, the Hoover Drama Department presents Commedia during the fall; but, this year, things were done a bit differently. A "scary" plot was chosen, so the regular play was held in the fall close to Halloween.

*Sweeney Todd* was put on by many cast members and was directed by Dennis Hildreth. The lead parts were played by Josh Dreyer and Jenny Fravel, who played Sweeney Todd and Mrs. Lovitt.

*Sweeney Todd* started off rather oddly with the entire cast filling the auditorium with a loud scream. After this, we were introduced to Sweeney Todd himself, who vows to take revenge on the Judge (played by Eric Selander) who raped and murdered Sweeney's wife (Tracy Cochran) and is holding his daughter (Emily Neve) captive.

The play ends sadly with Sweeney Todd murdering his wife who had been disguising herself as a beggar woman. Sweeney Todd is also murdered, but his daughter lives free to marry her true love (Matt Schaffer).

The Drama Department did a wonderful job putting on this play and a history of talent can continue on at Hoover.

**Snap shot-**Sweeney Todd (Josh Dreyer) and Alfredo (Gerardo Rodriguez) discuss a challenge.

# Laughing

## it up

This year, Commedia was in the winter, rather than the fall, with 36 actors and not the usual twenty. The larger cast allowed for a more complex plot. The cast came together to produce a different sort of Commedia. Typically, Commedia has been wacky and very much on the crazy side.

The changes in Commedia proved to be successful. The cast enjoyed themselves and put on a really good show. The story *Candy Canes and Super Doppler: When Elves Attack*, took place in two locations, Des Moines, Iowa, and the North Pole and is about an all-out war involving the North Pole and the United States. The North Pole had no chance of winning, until they accidentally stole the most powerful weapon in the entire world: El Nino. Ending with both parties mutually benefitting, this play was a little crazy and a lot of fun.

**The Cast** (in order by grade level) Seniors: Megan Boesen, Amanda Bradley, Candy Hemphill, Dan Kaminski, Amanda Kreyling, Tim Lawson, John Maly, Emily Neve, Eric Selander; Juniors: Holly Bartlett, Jennifer Fravel, Elliott Hoffman, Brandi Shively, DeAnna Sturtevant; Sophomores: Elizabeth Albright, Chris Burrows, Jacob Graham, Seth Hedquist, David Hunsberger, Jennifer Jacobson, Aaron Miller, Rachel Moll, Josh West; Freshmen: Mark Bognanni, Chris Castellano, Kira Nehmer, Nicole Pryor, Erika Rasey, Anika Roth.



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**Utterly mad**-(Middle Left) DeAnna Sturtevant listens as the mad scientist played by Megan Boesen thinks up ideas while in her messy office.

**Butting heads** -(Middle Right) Andrew Stoltze and Megan Boesen use confrontation as communication.

**Rejoice!**-(Bottom Left) Eric Selander receives the exciting news that he will become the new Santa Claus, while Amanda Kreyling, Emily Neve, and Elliott Hoffman express their wonder.

**Not good news**-(Bottom Right) Candy Hemphill and Jennifer Jacobson are in distress over the upcoming war with the North Pole.



photo by Kyle Lynch

**Curtain call-**(Top in alphabetical order) Stephanie Adamo, Russell Anderson, Andrew Beynen, Laura Boesen, Ben Busiek, Chris Castellano, Tracy Cochran, Chris Daniels, Elyse Donhowe, Hannah Edwards, Tony Goldman, Candy Hemphill, Missi Hirsch, Brett Iddings, Jennifer Jacobson, Jessica Johnson, Nicole Kent, Kevin LeBeau, Toni Lothi, Maggie McGinnis, Rachel Moll, Kira Nehmer, Emily Neve, Nicole Pryor, Theresa Quiner, Erika Rasey, Gerardo Rodriguez, Kevin Rodriguez, Alex Rohlwing, Anika Roth, Nicole Schrader, Eric Selander, Earl Sengbusch, Andy Sheaffer, Matt Sheaffer, Ben Smith, Josh Stallworth, Jonathan Stevens, David Stoltze, Kelly Thorsen, Tara Tidwell, Lanny Trail, Adam Wolfe, Jon Wur.



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## Small town

*life*

This year, the Hoover Drama Department produced the classic *Our Town* on May 11, 12, and 13. The leads were played by freshman Nicole Pryor and sophomore Andrew Beynen.

The general plot deals with two characters, Emily and George, who grow up together in a small town and eventually fall in love and get married. Emily tragically dies during childbirth, leaving George behind to struggle through the rest of his life.

Despite the sad plot, the cast enjoyed themselves and put on a very good show. "The play *Our Town* is one of the rare ones that an actor has the honor to perform in. It is a play where you sit back, relax, and watch life pass you by. I am glad to have finished my high-school drama years with such a wonderful play," said Gerardo Rodriguez, one of the cast members.

**Discussing a fine point-**(Middle) Nicole Schrader, Candy Hemphill, and Tracy Cochran exchange intense words.

**A meeting of the minds-**(Bottom left) Nicole Schrader and Tracy Cochran share their thoughts.

**The wedding procession-**(Bottom middle) Freshman Nicole Pryor, as the bride, gets ready to exchange vows.

## Our Town

By Sara Parker



photo provided by Emily Neve



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**Individual All-Staters**-(Top left) Junior Elliot Hoffman and senior Gerardo Rodriguez win All State.

**Don't worry...Be happy!**-(Top middle) Senior Nicole Schrader looks concerned about memorizing her lines.

**Tough guys**-(Middle) Gerardo Rodriguez, Josh Dreyer, and David Hunsberger show just how tough they truly aren't.

## Acting up

This year Large Group Contest was held at Hoover welcoming hundreds of actors and actresses. All of these thespians competed with the hope that they would be chosen to continue on to the All-State Drama Contest.

Hoover sent 33 talented performers to Large Group contest including Lizzy Albright, Holly Bartlett, Megan Boesen, Mark Bognanni, Chris Castellano, Tracy Cochran, Josh Dreyer, DeLyn Haley, Sydnei Harris, Elliot Hoffman, Elizabeth Hotka, Stephanie Howard, Jennifer Jacobson, Amanda Kreyling, Tim Lawson, Rachel Moll, Emily Neve, Nicole Pryor, Colin Rail, Erika Rasey, Gerardo Rodriguez, Kevin Rodriguez, Anika Roth, Nicole Schrader, Eric Selander, Andy Sheaffer, Matt Sheaffer, Anthony Soike, David Stolze, Tara Tidwell, Grant Thompson, and Eboneye Woods. These people all participated in a one act play, reader's theatre, choral reading, group mimes, or improv.

Hoover did very well at Large Group Contest sending eight performers to All-State and two to Individual All-State. At All-State Contest the Hoover Drama Department won the Sweepstakes Award which is the state championship for drama.

Congratulations to Mr. Hildreth and his Drama Department for a job well done.



## Contest

By Sara Parker



photo by Mullica



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**The Players**-The cast of *Black Comedy*-Top Row: Ben Smith, David Stolze, Nick Callahan, Grant Thompson, John Maly, Aaron Miller, Director Matt Geiger, and Tim Lawson. Bottom Row: Elliot Hoffman, Lizzie Albright, Emily Neve, Andy Stolze, Nicole Schrader, Gerardo Rodriguez, and Tracy Cochran.

## Black Comedy

By Sara Parker

# Lights out

The drama department presented *Black Comedy* on April 13, 14, and 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Hoover Auditorium. The title of this play may be a bit puzzling until you consider that the cast was acting like they were in the dark.

The basic idea of the play is this: A struggling artist attempts to impress his fiancee's hated father by taking his neighbor's furniture and posing it as his own. Then, he spends the remaining minutes of the play trying to return the furniture back to its rightful owner, but of course this task proves to be a bit more difficult than he thought.

All of the actors did very well playing their parts, but most of all, they had fun. The director Matt Geiger said, "Well, we had a lot of fun, only John got stitches, and nobody died. All in all I'd say it was a success."



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**Like father like daughter**-Lizzie Albright acts the part of a drunk girl immitating her preacher father.

**Smooch!**-Senior Andy Stolze lays a big kiss on Nicole Schrader.

# Pursuit of excellence

Imani means faith in Swahili; and the Imanis, headed by Mary Ann Spicer, provide soul inspiration to many of our activities. This group has expanded during the last two years, with this year being the first to experience a committee to organize the projects and activities.

The theme for this year is "In pursuit of excellence," and that is exactly what is showing up as the group grows and grows. They organized several activities that celebrated African-American History. The celebrations were officially kicked off with the birthday party for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and highlighted the efforts of several students making a difference in his honor.

The Imani Players are still going strong. They prepared two major plays and took their act to state competitions.

February brought the Iowa Barn Stormers basketball team versus the Hoover senior boys, as well as two plays performed by students: "Not Just a Gadfly" and "Colored Girls." Ending the celebration was a performance of the theatrical troop Mixed Bloods.



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**Listen up**-The committee listens to Mrs. Spicer as she includes her opinions.

**Acting out**-Terra Flipping performs in the play, *Not Just a Gadfly*.



*photo by Mrs. Spicer*



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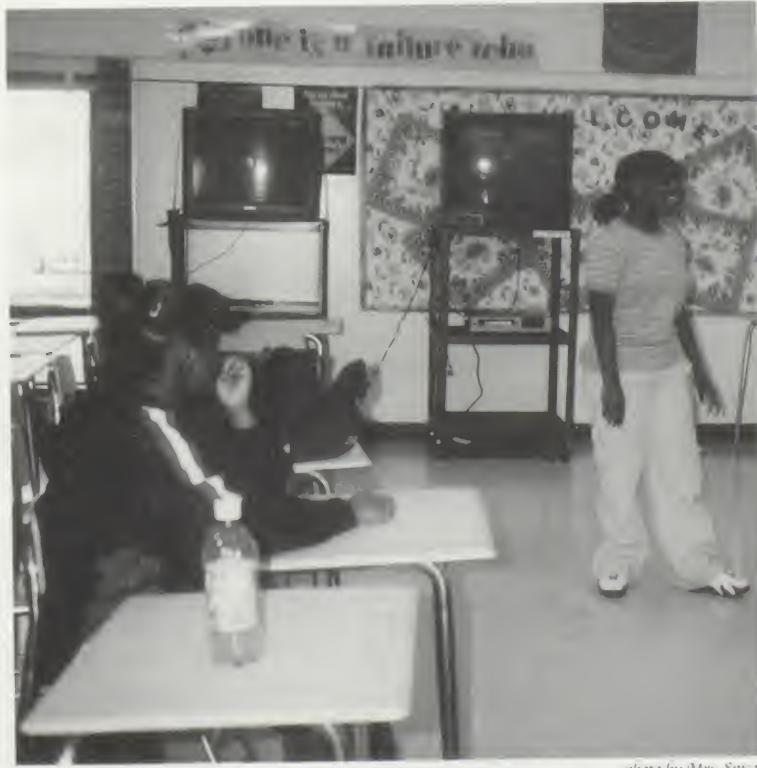


photo by Mrs. Spicer

**Deep in thought**-The Imani committee listens to everyone's ideas.

**Strike a pose**-The cast of *Not just a Gadfly* end the performance with style.



photo by Mrs. Spicer



**Terra Flipping**  
Grade 10

"The plays influence African American girls because they can relate to the messages."



**Cameron Hawkins**  
Grade 11

"The committee was very helpful; they helped organize several activities that otherwise we could not accomplish."



photo by Mrs. Spicer

**Practice makes perfect**-The Players practice hard for their upcoming performance.

**Director's notes**-Ericca English watches as director Ashley Graham goes over details with Mrs. Spicer.

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# Field of dreams

This year's 1999-00 varsity football team played enthusiastically like never before. All of the players were committed and represented our school quite well.

The Huskies were led by a trio of essential senior captains: Chris Anderson, Justin Lamar, and Galen Mayes. The team played sincerely and, therefore, was very successful.

Captain Chris Anderson said, "I've been privileged enough to be allowed to play football for Hoover for four years; and this year has been, indeed, the most unforgettable one yet.

We will always consider this school year to be a successful and memorable year, not just because of our defeat against East High School on our homecoming night, but also because this year the varsity team will bring us into the new millennium.



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**Hanging tough**-The Husky defense waits to demolish the opposing team's offense.



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**Close-up**-Juniors Tom Craig and D.J. Roberts close-in-on the ball carrier.



Watch out! ...evading the attack-Brian Hiskey attempts to keep a Southeast Polk defender away from quarterback Dan Wright.

## Varsity Football

### Hoover      Opponent

L	Mason City	W
L	Dowling	W
L	Lincoln	W
L	Indianola	W
W	East	L
L	Rooservelt	W
L	Urbandale	W
L	North	W
L	S.E. Polk	W



Co-captain  
Justin Lamar

"This year was a demanding season even though we've been working really hard. I'm sure that next season will be even more successful."

*Photo by Lonnie Carter*



**Varsity players**-Front Row:Chris Kuhn, David Lyons, Kelvin Zanders, Cameron Hawkins, B.C. Riordan, D.J. Roberts, Rob Griffith. Second Row: Lacey Robinson, Coach Jarrett, Coach Ballard, Coach Plathe, Coach Duvall, Coach Jones, Coach Rogers, Coach Young, Coach Tate. Third Row: Ricardo Giron, Jerome Burrell, Joe Ruby, Bryan Harper, Vince Ballard, Mike O'Deay, Brandon Dodd. Fourth Row: Mike O'Hara, Reggie Davis, Joe Brott, Munchelo Dock, Jeremy Tapps, Brian Hiskey, Dan Wright, Galen Mayes. Fifth Row: Tom Craig, Aaron Kuiken, Keith Tilton, Eric Bolte, Justin Lamar, Tim Lawson, and Chris Anderson.

*photo by Mullica*

## Varsity Football

By La Toya Evans

# Puppies of the pack

They may have been the new kids, but the '99 freshman football team pulled its own weight. They finished their first season with three wins.

The coaching staff, which consisted of head coach Hines, Assistants Eldridge, Prophit, and Hulter instilled in this impressionable team a desire to achieve, which they will carry into their varsity years.

Freshman Andrew Kachel, who plays tight end and special teams, said, "It was a good experience, especially beating Dowling, which was a accomplishment for the team."



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*Jason Neff  
Freshman*

*"It was a great  
and exciting  
year, and I am  
looking for-  
ward to next  
year."*



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Freshman Football-** First row: James Jeffries, Joe Andrews, Adam Wolfe, Andrew Kachel, Matt Anderson, Joel Mangold, Arron Smith. Second row: T. Farley, Prophit, Hines, Eldridge, Hulter, Dontreale Anderson. Third row: Andrew Horton, Forrest Hallam, Lane VanGorden, Lanny Trail, Andrew Buscher, Allan Williams,

**Linin' up-**Freshman players get ready for the next big play.



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**The Team**-Top row: Mike Meritt, Travis Fenton, Chad Conley, Ted Craig, David Gier, Dave Belluchi. Second row: Nick Young, Tory White, Ike Harris, Jamie Neumwerth, Alex Clayton, Travis O'Brien, Martell Pratt, Marshall Mease. Third Row: Mark Davis, Craig Farley, Jason Miller, Vu Vo. Bottom Row: Nick Callahan, Zach Nericim, Lamontie Gause, Donavin Pope, Glen Whitside, Chris Dashiell.

## SCOREBOARD

OPPONENT	RESULTS
Lincoln	W
Roosevelt	W
North	W
East	W
Ottumwa	W
Indianola	W
Urbandale	L
Dowling	L
South East Polk	TIED



photo by Lonnice Carter

## Winning some games

This year's sophomore football team had a winning season with a final score of 6-2-1.

On October 22, they played a great game against North High School. Everything seemed to be on their side that night. The team held together; and things worked their way, resulting in a great win.

This year's winning season was the result of a lot of hard work and good spirit.

"My freshman year, we were 1-8. My sophomore year, we were city champs; and we're going for conference against Dowling." said Mark Davis.



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photo by Lonnice Carter

**Walking off with a win**-The sophomore football team heads back to the locker rooms after beating North High School.

**Throwing a pass**-Chad Conley throws a pass to a fellow teammate on October 8 against Indianola.

**Hut! Hut!** -Husky offense prepares to drive the ball against North on October 22.

## Sophomore Football

By Ana Albizures

# Mingling with the big league

This year, as numbers were low, the JV volleyball team joined with the varsity volleyball team and was led by Seniors Anna Sukow, Erica Blake, and Junior Amanda Bethards this year. These three girls worked hard to keep the team dedicated and working together.

Every new game presented a new opportunity to make a fresh new start. Each team member tried her hardest to turn that opportunity into success; and, when that wasn't the result, they looked on to another game.

Senior team leader Anna Sukow said, "Although we had a tough season, all the girls worked really hard and made this season a lot of fun."



photo by Millie

**Spikin' it**-Senior Anna Sukow spikes the ball into the opponent's court.



**Focus**-Senior Erika Blake prepares to "set it up."



photo by Lannie Carter



*Amanda Bethards  
Junior*

*"We plan on working in the off-season and coming back strong next season."*

**Team Photo**-Top Row: Coach Deb Isenhart, Coach Karri Rivera, Amy Reierson, Christina Smajd, Micaela Tuttle, Jenny Gable, Coach Gene Denny, Coach Terry Rivera. Middle Row: Becky Gates, Mary Rodiney, Liz Buckley, Shantoria Young, Ebonee Woods, Kristi Pddycoart, Kira Nehmer. Bottom Row: Anna Sukow, Amanda Bethards, Ericka Blake.



**Brooke Roth**  
Sophomore

*"We had a fun season. Our record wasn't great, but we did the best we could. I'm looking forward to next season."*



**Jennifer Grandquist**  
Sophomore

*"Despite a tough season, we stuck together; and we were successful."*



**Heather Allen**  
Freshman

*"Even though there were tough times, we still won half our games."*



*photo by Mullica*

**The Soph/Frosh volleyball team**-Top Row: Coach Karri Rivera, Jennifer Grandquist, Nicole Kent, Sarah Shimshook, Heather Allen, Jennifer Darnielle, and Coach Deb Isenhart. Middle Row: Valerie Mayer, Brooke Roth, and Megan Slechta. Bottom Row: Maggie McGinnis, Lindsay Cozad, Stacy Mokosak, Janice Vandepol, and Liz Lapole.

## **S**hining on the court

The 1999 Sophomore/Freshman volleyball team had a chance to work together as a team, on and off the court. Numbers rose a bit this year but were still a bit of a problem, which gave the team members a few obstacles to overcome.

Despite the challenges in their path, the freshmen and sophomores worked hard together as one team. They encouraged one another to do their best, and did just that.

These young girls are very talented and promise to bring success to Hoover's future volleyball teams.

# Racing ladies

This has been a building year for the Girls' Cross Country team. The team lost seven of their runners last year and were left to fend for themselves.

The girls had team dinners before the meets and group sing-alongs at the starting line. They also took great pride in their team shirt. You could spot those running fools anywhere in their colorful tie-die.

In this building year for the Girls' Cross Country Team, they accomplished their goals. The team ran their way to success, screaming their team motto all the way. "If you can see ours, then we're kickin' yours."



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**Running to the finish line-**Erin Whittie crosses the finish line.



photo by Dan McCannahan

**The pep talk-**Kim Jones and Coach Jankovitz discuss the race.



photo by Lonnice Carter



**Kristen Snyder**  
Grade 11

*We had a fun year and we improved a lot even though we had a young team.*

**Ready set go-**Bottom Row: Teresa Hankins, Johanna Wiese, Beth Howland, Anne-Catherine Sartieaux; Middle Row: Kim Jones, Sara Cline, Erin Whittie, Kristen Snyder, Kari Messerschmidt; Top Row: Coach Jerry Gay, Laney Kinzel.

**Rock-a-bye-baby-**Kristen Snyder takes a nap before her race.



photo by Megan Boesen

**Working hard**-The boys practice hard and still manage to have fun. The boys' cross-country team-The 1999-00 cross-country team enjoys the afternoon.

**Tuomas Julin**

Senior



photo by Megan Boesen

"When I started cross-country in August I had no idea what it was going to be. I haven't had any earlier running experience; but, when I joined the team, I knew this is the thing I am supposed to be in. Our team wasn't one of the best in running but our team spirit was great. I thought I would have big problems fitting in with the team because I am a foreigner; but, after a couple of practices, I knew all of the runners and discovered that all of them are fair and nice. And especially I would like to thank Coach Pete who made my fitting in a lot easier and made the season as enjoyable as it was for most of the runners. I love this sport."



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photo by Megan Boesen

**Go huskies**- Muris Rahmanovic is running hard to catch up to the opponent.



photo by Megan Boesen

**Determined runner**- Spectators cheer Chris Hankins to the finish line.

## Running at the speed of light

The boys' cross country team had an overall successful year, finishing second in junior division of the Ankeny Invitational, sixth in the CML Championship meet, and seventh in the District Championship Meet.

The boys' cross country members showed excellent team spirit, which made the year fun for the participants, as well as for Coach Peterson. The team, both Varsity and Junior Varsity, improved from the first meet of the season to the last meet. The runners felt good about their improvements.

Even though the team lost Allen Rizanovic, Tuomas Julin, and Muris Rahmanovic to graduation, the team is looking promising for next year. "We should have a very competitive cross-country team next year. We have a lot of experienced runners returning. Juniors Kody Harris, Jon Nentl, and Mike Sater should be our leaders next year," said Coach Pete.

### Boys' Cross Country

La Toya Evans

# Lane buddies

The Girls' Swim Team has had a sensational season. They not only swam fast, but they also reached the goals that Coach Tim Brown set for them. The team became one unique family unit.

Both before and after school, the girls could be found prancing around the Hoover pool dressed in caps and goggles. They put in the long hours it took to reach the gold.

The team took great pride in their few but definite wins. They combined forces and lapped Lincoln, East, and even North.

When the meets were concluded, you could find these wet-haired friends shoving pizza down their throats at Mustards, their favorite hang out.



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photo by Tim Brown

**Bananas unit**-Top: Tim Brown, Trisha Myers, Kelly Thorsen, Lanette Kennebeck, Stephanie Gable, Anita Leveke. Third Row: Shiela Linder, Emily Burt, Elizabeth Albright, Amanda Dudding, Katie Meade. Second Row: Ariel Stokka, Emily Andersen, Stephanie Kelly, Katie Newman. First Row: Sherry VanZee, Elizabeth Burt, Lissa Slotterback, Beth Weiberg, Erica Owen.

**Bonding buddies**-Senior swimmers Sherry VanZee, Beth Weiberg, Elizabeth Burt, Lissa Slotterback, and Erica Owen huddle up after a hard practice.



*Elizabeth Burt  
Grade 12*

*"We don't swim  
in your toilets, so  
please don't pee  
in our pool."*



photo by Lorraine Carter

**Up for air**-Elizabeth Albright waves at the camera.



photo by Debrah Keebler

**Ready, Set, GO-**Lizzie Burt and Erica Owen keep the meet on track.

**Smooth strokes-**Brett Iddings swims strong right to the finish.



photo by Debrah Keebler

### A. J. Kneller

Grade 9



"My experience as a first-year swimmer was very exciting. I had to clean up a lot of the equipment after practice, but I had a great time anyway. I worked very hard at every practice to earn a letter and the Most Improved Swimmer award. My first year was great, and I am looking forward to the next three."

### John Roberts

Grade 11



"Swimming's a great sport. It's an individual sport, with lots of team work."



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**The Team-**Front Row: Brett Iddings, Eric Thorsen, A. J. Kneller; Row 2: Jeff Meyer, Michael Carey, Jason Miller, Chris Burrows, Jason Carroll; Row 3: Bob Ward, Chad Johnson, John Roberts, Aaron Kuiken, Michael Thorsen, Chris Anderson; Back Row: Coach Brian Roska and Timers: Emily Burt, Erica Owen, Elizabeth Burt.

## Strong strokes

The boys' swim team went through a lot of changes this year. They were given a new coach and had to try a new way of doing things. However, things worked to their advantage.

The team was young, but don't let that fool you. Our Hoover boys know how to move through the water. Junior Michael Thorsen made it all the way to state with record-breaking times.

The boys' swim team has always been easy to find at the end of season for one very distinct reason. They have no hair on their heads. What a tradition!

## Boys' Swimming

By Beth Weiberg

# Hooping it all over again

After graduating four seniors, three of which were varsity starters from the 1998-1999 team, the 1999-2000 Girls' Varsity Basketball team had to start over. With only two starters from the previous season, senior captain Meghan Kelso and sophomore Melissa Parra, three inexperienced players had to fill the shoes of the graduates. To fill those shoes were six juniors, three sophomores, and the one lone senior. Many people wondered how the young and inexperienced team would perform.

When asked how she felt about the season, junior captain Amanda Bethards said, "Even though we weren't very successful in the 'win' column, the team overcame some technicalities and ended up having a lot of fun together." Teammate Christina Smajd said the team tried its best when it was on the court.

Bethards said next year she "hopes the team can come together right away so we can concentrate more on working hard and becoming successful."

Although the girls could not pull off a very successful season in terms of wins/losses, they were successful in fulfilling their goal of having fun.



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**Here I come-** Sophomore Melissa Parra dribbles the ball down court before halftime against Ottumwa.

**Oh no you don't-** Junior Stephanie Kelly sets an effective pick against a Lincoln player.

**Listen up-** The girls listen intently, while Coach Hatcher talks during a time out at the Ottumwa game.

**Box Out-** Senior Meghan Kelso and junior Jessica Kelso rebound a missed shot during a game against Ottumwa.



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## Girls' Varsity Basketball

By Meghan Kelso



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**Girls' Varsity Basketball Team- (Above)** Front row: Meghan Kelso, Heather Howe, Teresa Seabrooke, Sara Trammel, Jessica Kelso, Melissa Parra; Back row: Coach Houser, Coach Ross, Nicole O'Tool, Christina Smajd, Stephanie Kelly, Katie Newman, Amanda Bethards, Coach Pete, and Coach Hatcher.



photo by Lonnie Carter

### Christina Smajd

Grade 11

"We tried hard this year to work and play together as a team. It was a hard task; but, by the end of the season, I think we achieved our goal. We also had a goal to beat North. Though we weren't able to accomplish that goal, we were still able to bounce back and play other tough opponents to the highest of our ability. Even though we didn't win any more than one conference game, we focused on the game that truly mattered--the third Lincoln game."

**I got it-** Junior Katie Newman grabs the ball, while junior Amanda Bethards gets position as well.

## Girls' Varsity Basketball

By Meghan Kelso

# Greatness in progress

The Husky basketball boys have had some tough shoes to fill. However, the fans didn't seem to notice. They just kept on cheering their boys on.

Throughout the team's ups and downs, the one thing that remains the same is the amount of support from their coaches. The team has said repeatedly that if it weren't for their coaches, they would never have come as far as they have.

Our Husky boys are greatness in progress. They have many strong young players that have the potential to bring us back up the ladder. And we know they will.



photo by Lonnie Carter

**In for the shot**-Manny Mosley dodges the other team and makes the basket

**The All Stars**-Top Left: Coach Bobby Sandquist, Manny Mosley, Zoron Grabavoc, Carl Kraft, Kendall Hurns, Trayton Olivero, Coach Brian Larsen; Bottom Row: Andrew Kachel, Dan Wright, Andy Jeter, Jeremiah May, Gerrard Gause, Brandon Wesley.

**All Stars on Reserve**- Mike O'Hara, Brandon Wesley, Andrew Kachel, and Kendall Hurns wait their turn.



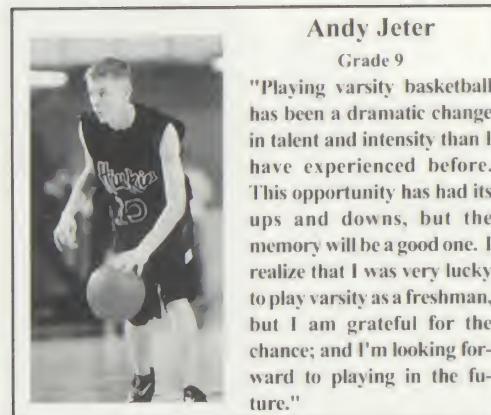
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**Andy Jeter**

Grade 9

"Playing varsity basketball has been a dramatic change in talent and intensity than I have experienced before. This opportunity has had its ups and downs, but the memory will be a good one. I realize that I was very lucky to play varsity as a freshman, but I am grateful for the chance; and I'm looking forward to playing in the future."



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**Out of my way**-Trayton Olivero charges past the other team.

**In for the shot**-Carl Kraft sets up for the basket.

"**Coach, I don't get it!**"-Carl Kraft, Gerrard Gause, Andrew Kachel, Brandon Wesley, and Zoron Grabavoc lean in as coach plans the strategy.

## Boys' Varsity Basketball

By Beth Weiberg

# Finishing strong

It was an exciting season for all levels of the girls' basketball program here at Hoover High. Numbers were low, but enthusiasm was at an all-time high. The girls just couldn't wait to hit the hardwood and show everyone who was boss.

Katie Newman had this to say about the varsity season, "We tried hard all season long, and we looked like a state championship team during our wins. We were just unable to string any long runs of quality basketball together."

Both the sophomore and freshman teams were plagued by low numbers, but each managed to remain competitive all season long. The sophomores were lead by Heather Howe and Teresa Seabrooke. The freshman included Stephanie Hansen and Holly Treadway, ones to look for in the next few years.

All three squads had quality seasons and look to really turn some heads next year.



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**Inspiring the team**-Coach Hatcher gives the varsity team a pep talk during a time out.

**Promising junior**-Jessica Kelso, junior, looks to help lead the team next season.

**Coming in strong**-Sophomore Theresa Seabrooke shows her skill as she looks for someone to catch a pass.

**Starting fresh**-Freshman girls learn new skills as they begin their high-school basketball career.



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photo by Mullica



photo by Lonne Carter



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Freeze frame-(Top left) Andy Jeter goes up for the lay-up against Ottumwa.

Good hustle-(Top right) Josh Ostergaard runs down the court.

**Huskies from left to right**-Top row: Martell Pratt, Ted Craig, Coach Boston, David Tate, Andrew Ostbloom. Middle row: Josh Ostergaard, Shane Squire, Mauricio Rivera, Isaac Harris, Spencer Jones. Bottom row: Craig Farley, Greg Farmer, Gerard Gause, Eric Johnson.

## Husky teamwork

Diving to the floor after the ball, a swish here, a lay-up there, and good teamwork are just some of the techniques you see during a sophomore basketball game.

Under the direction of Coach Haywood Boston, the Hoover High School 1999-2000 sophomore boys' basketball team finished the season with a record of 8-10.

The guys worked very hard to achieve the victories they have gained through the '99-00 season. Giving it their best, these talented young men ended the season with a nice record. Go, Huskies!!!!



"We had a good season. We gave our best and worked together as a team."

Craig Farley, Jr.  
Grade 10

# Chasing a dream

The freshman and sophomore girls' basketball team remained optimistic this season, despite the small number of participants. "Improvement was the focus of this season. The girls showed that improvement and met many of their goals," said freshman Coach Matt Bright.

"The sophomore girls finished the season 2-14. These young ladies worked hard throughout the entire season. The girls finished with six dedicated girls. All of the girls ended up dressing varsity by the end of the season," said Coach Don Hatcher.

The coaches for this season were: Coach Jim Peterson, Coach Don Hatcher, Justean Ross, and Coach Matt Bright.

## SCOREBOARD

### Sophomore Girls' Basketball 2-14

Urbandale	0-1
Johnston	0-1
North	1-1
Roosevelt	1-1
East	0-2
Lincoln	0-2
Dowling	0-2
Indianola	0-2
SE Polk	0-2



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**Sophomore Basketball Players-** (Front row) Teresa Seabrooke and Heather Howe; (Middle row) Amanda Clark and Beth Reese; (Back row) Laura Ryan, Coach Jim Petersen, Nicole O'Tool.

**Freshman Basketball Players-** (Front row) Stephanie Hanson and Mayoula Deuanepheng; (Middle row) Tina Lothi, Lyndsey Cozad, Sam Moeller, Trisha Myers, Theang Ho, Holly Tredway; (Back row) Ira Delilovic, Jessica Forneris, Sarah Szymczuk, Tomeka Diggs, Tina Davis, and Coach Matt Bright



"We worked hard to improve this season. Hopefully, it will pay off next season."

Tomeka Diggs  
Grade 9



Laura Ryan  
Grade 10

"I enjoyed playing basketball this year and it was really nice meeting new people."



## Husky B-Ball

Huskies	vs.	Opponent
W		North
L		Johnston
W		Roosevelt
W		East
L		Indianola
W		Urbandale
W		Ottumwa
W		North
W		S.E. Polk
W		Dowling
W		Lincoln
W		Roosevelt
W		East
W		Indianola
W		Ottumwa
W		S.E. Polk
W		Lincoln
W		Urbandale
W		Dowling

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photo by Mulica

**Making an entrance**-John Crane is greeted as he goes through the spirit tunnel.

**Husky players**-Bottom Row: Coach Desplinter, Coach Zanders, Nick Walker, Richard Wright, Andrew Kachel, Nesa Francic, Chris Hankins, Brandon Franklin, Jordan Weber, Coach Lawler. Middle Row: Stephenie Robinson, Phil Van Liew, Eric Gross, Mike Crane, Joey Holler, AJ Wieck, John Crane, Jason Neff, Jill Ruby. Top Row: Chris Remily, Matt Rich, Blake Groen, Lanny Trail, Matt Couch, Dustin Roberts, Gerrale Russell.

## Smooth shooting

The 1999-2000 Hoover High School freshman basketball team, under the direction of coach Patrick Lawler, finished the season with a record of 17-2 and are the conference champs.

Coach Lawler states, "This is one of my best teams since I started coaching. They are both good students and citizens."

The squad was committed and determined to make this season a victorious one. "We were good. We have the best record at Hoover. We had three great players: Jordan Webber, Richard Wright, and John Crane; and I hope we do well in the AU league," said Gerrale Russell.

"Both A and B teams played well together. The B team had a winning season, and the A team's two wins over Dowling were the highlights," Lawler said.

Let's hope this fusion of players' success continuously prevails in the coming years.

### Boys' Freshman Basketball

By Sokisha Lyons

# Fighting the battle

This year was an especially hard year for the Husky Wrestlers. Numbers of participants never rose above ten, leaving the guys no choice but to forfeit most of their meets and only wrestle at the junior varsity level.

Despite the low numbers, the guys continued to charge on through the season working hard for their next meet. They put forth their hardest effort, even during the discouraging times.

All of the wrestlers will return next year, and they will be stronger than ever.

Coach Johnson said, "As the coach of these few gladiators, I take great pride in saying that even though there was no varsity season, there was still a core group of student-athletes that wanted to do the right thing."



**T-O-U-G-H-(Top Center)**  
B. C. Riordan keeps his  
opponent in line.

**Take him down-(Bottom  
Left)** Brian Cornwell takes  
his man down for two.

**Pin!-(Bottom Right)** Mark  
Rech pins his opponent at  
an invitational.

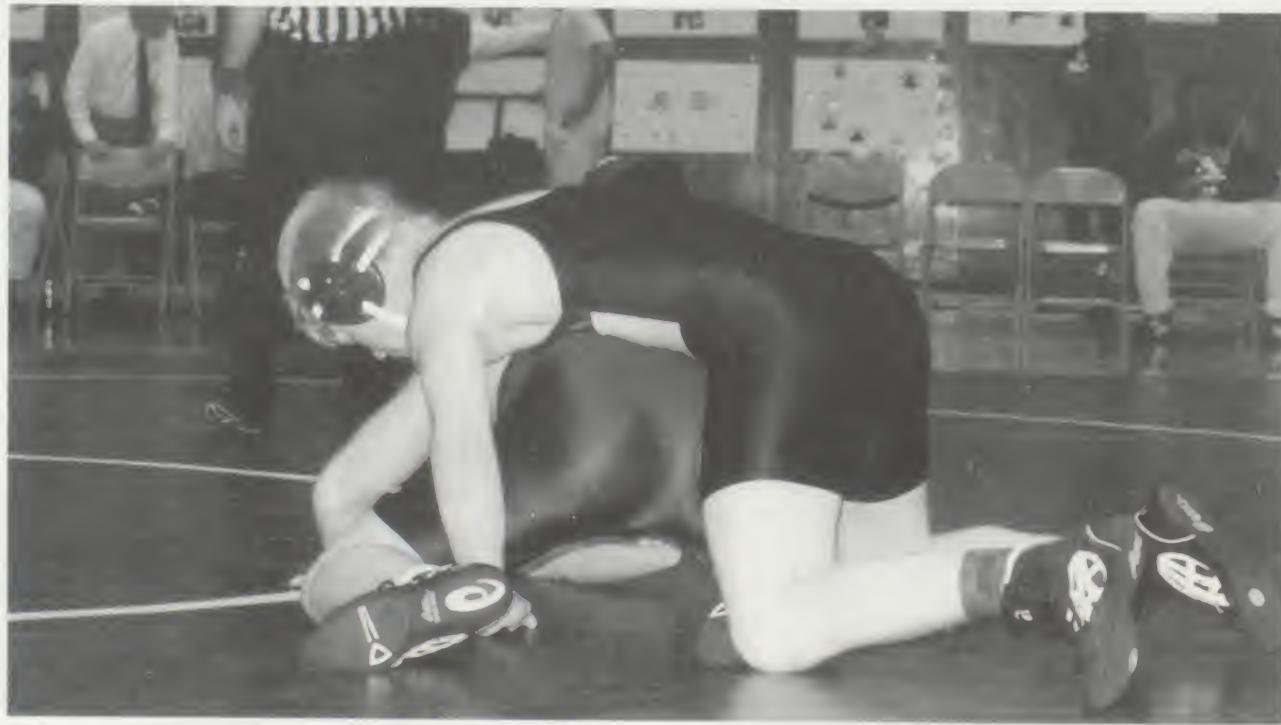


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**Marc Rech**

Junior

"We had a tough year with lack of wrestlers, but I thought this was one of the best years individually. We are going to work hard over the summer for next year, so we can take a few guys to state."



**B.C. Riordan**

Junior

"We had a difficult year with such a small team, but we always continued to work hard; and, hopefully, we will have more people out next year."



**Bryan Cornwell**

Junior

"This year, we strived to work hard to achieve goals that each of us, personally, set. Though the team was small, it became a close-knit family that we had and have. We worked hard. Next year, we will, hopefully, have more people."

## Wrestling

By Sara Parker

# Going long

The girls' golf team, with ten golfers, had a wonderful season this year. The girls managed to improve their scores and reach a number-two ranking in duals.

**Brian Larson**, six-year coach for the girls, said, "I have the best group of girls to date. They are more competitive and have been doing a great job in practice."

This year brought more participants to this sport, and the coach hopes to achieve a high conference tournament ranking for the girls.

**Follow through**-Junior Katie Newman watches the golf ball fly.

**Good formation**-Nanthida Deuanepheng shows excellent form.



photo by Tom Hanlon



photo by Eric Bolte



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**Concentration**-Senior Dana Hansen concentrates hard while putting the golf ball.

**Determination**-Junior Jennifer Gable is set on sinking this ball.

**Bonding**-Juniors Katie Newman and Stephanie Kelly take a break to pose together.



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## Girls' Golf

By Vanessa Daniels



photo by Tom Hanlon

**Boys' Golf Team**-Front Row: AJ Wieck, Phil Van Liew, Adam Collins, Tim Garles, Second Row: Joel Gettys, Blake Groen, Matt Couch, Ryan Chicoine, Lance Andersen, Rusty Dickinson, Eric Gross, Third Row: Pat Vignaroli, Nick Carter, Seth Rowland, TJ Doyle, Josh Tripp, Anthony Soike, Luke Brinkman; Back Row: Mark Rundle, Tom Hanlon, Joe Tippins, AJ Jamison, Drew Melton, Mike Thorson, Joe Peterson.

**Just like a pro**-Senior varsity player Joe Peterson makes golf look really easy.



photo by Steve Lundholm



photo by Matt Wineinger



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## **T**ogether we succeed

Although the boys' golf team lost some of its momentum this season, the team has every expectation of winning the championship next season. Senior AJ Jamison said, "With the four returning starters, the team should easily contend with the rest of the conference in the year 2000." "Due to the fact that some players lacked experience, the sophomores and juniors really had to step up," added Tom Hanlon.

The team was lead by coaches, Steve Lundholm and Bob Wilkerson, who were there to support the boys through their triumphs and defeats. The boys were there for each other, as well. "I had good, quality conversations with my boys, Hanlon and Vignoroli, on the eighth tee box," said Joe Tippins. "We really worked hard and practiced a lot. In the end, I think we had a quality team we could all be proud of," said Chris Talcott. One thing is for certain--we'll be looking for Dylan Harris at the Senior PGA!

**Keeping his eyes on the ball**-Junior Tom Hanlon concentrates before he makes his next putt.

**Hanging in there**-Junior Matt Wineinger follows through on his swing.

**Working hard**-Junior Pat Vignaroli prepares for the next meet.

### **Boys' Golf**

By La Shunda Evans

# Racing ahead

The Girls' Track team started small but gained momentum as the season progressed. The team had strong leadership from returning juniors and seniors, although the freshmen showed impressive talent. Coach Megan Kinder was very proud of the girls. "We have lots to look forward to next year with a lot of talent coming up."

The girls had a spectacular season with impressive district times and look forward to state next year.

**On your mark...**-Junior Kim Jones starts her race with a bang.

**Hard work pays off-** Freshman Holly Tredway improves her time.



**Micaela Tuttle**  
Junior

"My coaches pushed me to improvement and helped me strive for the best."



*photo provided by Megan Kinder*



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**The team**-Back Row: Coach Megan Kinder, Amber Valencia, Melissa Parra, April Wells, Sarah Szymczuk, Micaela Tuttle, Nicole Gardner, Teresa Hankins; Front Row: Holly Tredway, Kim Jones, Beth Howland, Jesica Olsen, Manager Jenny Reese, and Manager Christina Davis.

**Waiting for the baton**-Junior Melissa waits as freshman Jessica Olsen passes the baton.



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**Let's stretch it out**-Seniors Chris Kuhn, Kennedy Douglas, and sophomore Craig Farley stretch out before a big race.

**The sky's the limit**-Zoran Grabovac gives it all he's got to get over the bar.

**Just hanging around**-Paul Scott waits around after just finishing a race.



**Joe Shore**  
Grade 11

"The track team has done quite well this year. Personally, I believe I've improved my timing."

## **R**unning gold

Some people believe that winning isn't everything. As long as a team gives its all and tries its best, they are a winning team all along.

Confidence, dedication, and hard work go hand in hand in making a team successful. Hoover's 1999-2000 boys' track team, under the coaching of Coach Peterson, enhances all the above creating a gold running team.

We, the Hoover students, wish the team great success and hope for a winning record.

### **Boys' Track**

By Sokisha Lyons



# Racket ladies

The Hoover High School girls' tennis team has had a new beginning. The girls were given a new head coach, Tram Hoe. Coach Mike Desplinter was also a great new addition to the team.

The girls struggled to hold their own, but they all claim that it only made them closer as a team.

The young varsity players are what will keep this team going. Many underclassmen now have more varsity playing experience.

The girls claim that their favorite part of the season was when Liz Buckley brought homemade brownies to help them make it through the day.

This year's tennis team has a lot to be proud of.

They came together and created not only a team, but friendships as well.

**So this is the plan-** Ann Pham, Cindy Pham, and Alexa Woody tell their team how to play the game.

**Put us in,** Coach-Beth Weiberg, Ariel Stokka, and Liz Buckley show how much they love tennis.

## Anne Pham

Sophomore



photo by Beth Weiberg

"We had many individual wins, but we never managed to rally together and produce a victory. We had a young varsity team, so next year we'll have a stable team and hopefully a better record."

## Ariel Stokka

Junior



"Tennis is a lot of fun, especially when I win. Cindy Pham is my hero."



photo by Beth Weiberg



photo by Beth Weiberg

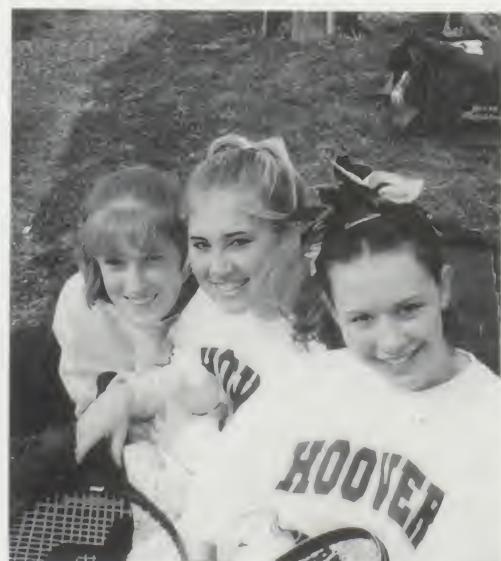


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## Girls' Tennis

By Beth Weiberg



photo by Lonnie Carter

**Joe Tippins**—"We didn't have a lot of talent and injuries often, but we still pulled together as a team."



photo by Lonnie Carter



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photo by Lonnie Carter

**Charge!**-Joe Peterson charges the ball.

**Swing low**-Chris Talcott scoops up the ball.

**I'm ready now**-Mike Collet is ready for the shot.



photo by Lonnie Carter



photo by Lonnie Carter

**Team Huddle**-Back Row: Coach Steve Lundholm, AJ Jamison, Joe Weiberg, Joe Tippins, Mike Goetz, Coach Scott Noah; Middle Row: Vu Vo, Chris Cavan, Eric Gross, Phong Deo, Mike Collet; Front Row: Joe Peterson, Chris Talcott, Jon Sharp, Forest Halla.

**Smash it**-Drazen Karalic smashes the ball across the court.

**I've got it**-Mike Goetz gets ready for the shot.

## Racking up the points

Tennis has always been a sport filled with graceful agility or at least that was until this year's Hoover boys hit the courts. They modeled giant-sized sodas just as proudly as their rackets.

The boys pulled together and improved both their games and the team's performance. Despite the memory of last year's loss in the Lincoln meet, they were all very proud of their triumphs this year.

The team also had many injuries to work through. Many of their Varsity players suffered and were forced to rely on their teammates' assistance.

This year's Hoover boys' tennis team has made us all proud. They simply did their best and expected nothing more than that from each other.

### Boys' Tennis

By Beth Weiberg

# Rebuilding and reloading

With fourteen returning letter winners on this year's Girls' Varsity Soccer team, the girls look to reload for another chance at a trip to the state tournament. "I'm looking forward to a fun season this year. We have a strong team and have a good chance at going to state this year," said senior Lonnie Carter.

Senior captain Emily Neve said, "I am really excited for our season this year. We have almost all of our starters returning. The team is really starting to come together; most of us have been playing together for almost three or four years. We are an older team this year, a lot of juniors and seniors, and that experience will help us reach our goal of going to state."



photo by Sara Ostrander

**It's mine-** Senior Shauna Kline takes the ball from her opponent.



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Neck and neck-** Sophomore Heather Howe runs side by side with her opponent.



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Nice slide-** Freshman Sam Moeller slides to deflect the ball.

## Returning letter winners:

**Seniors:** Elizabeth Burt, Lonnie Carter, \*Shauna Kline, Kari Messerschmidt, \*Emily Neve

**Juniors:** Emily Anderson, Jenny Luongvan, \*Kim Jones, Bethany Mayer, Michelle Rich, Kristen Snyder, Erin Whittie

**Sophomores:** Heather Howe, Nicole O'Tool, Melissa Parra

**Freshman:** Samantha Moeller  
\* denotes captains



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photo by Michelle Isaacson



photo by Sara Ostrandar

**Outta my way-** Junior Emily Anderson gets knocked down by her opponent while teammate Erin Whittie goes for the ball.

**Returnees-** Returning letter winners pose for the camera.

**Front row-** Lonnie Carter, Melissa Parra; **Second row-** Emily Anderson, Tia Bouger, Heather Howe, Kim Jones, Emily Neve, Shauna Kline, Emily Burt; **Back row-** Bethany Mayer, Becca Quick, Kristen Snyder, Michelle Rich, Erin Whittie, Sam Moeller, Luara Ryan, Nicole O'Tool, and Coach Tony Parra  
Not pictured- Amanda Clark, Amanda Heck

## Girls' Varsity Soccer

By Meghan Kelso

# Kickin' the ball

The 2000 Husky Soccer boys were anxious to start the season. The diverse varsity team pulled together and showed their opponents what Hoover is all about.

The Captain Travis Dyson is accompanied by a talented group of athletes like himself. "The young group of varsity players always goes into the game physically ready and mentally fit," said Dyson.

Many of the teammates have stated that the diversity of the team has made the game more challenging. They had to learn how to work together when language was a barrier. They also had to combine their skill levels together to create a unique blend of Hoover talent.



*photo by Lonnie Carter*

**Playing the game**-Junior Nedzad Dzafic fakes out the opponent.

**Determination**-Senior Travis Dyson focused on the ball.

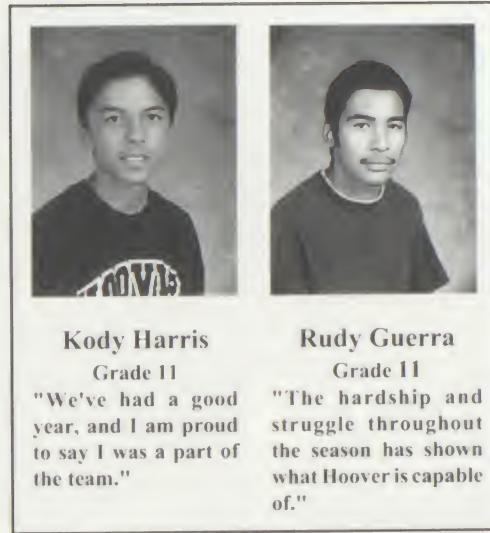


## Boys' Varsity Soccer

By Judith Quinones & Beth Weiberg



*photo by Lonnie Carter*



**Kody Harris**  
Grade 11  
"We've had a good year, and I am proud to say I was a part of the team."

**Rudy Guerra**  
Grade 11  
"The hardship and struggle throughout the season has shown what Hoover is capable of."



*photo by Lonnie Carter*



*photo by Lonnie Carter*

## Boys' Varsity Soccer

By Judith Quinones & Beth Weiberg

# Just kickin' it

After weeks of practice, the girls' junior varsity soccer team was ready to take their talents to the other teams. This year's team was quite small, but they looked to play as a big varsity team. Despite a lack of experience, the girls were able to put on a good show.



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**Here it comes-** Michelle Isaacson kicks the ball to get it away from her defender.

**Heads up-** Sara Cline looks for the ball while it's in the air.

**Front row-** Tia Bougher, Stephanie Behrens, Jenny Luongvan, Amanda Heck, Lauren Fox, Nieng Ho, Amanda Clark, Rachel Pokos; **Back row-** Laura Wright, Michelle Isaacson, Luara Ryan, Sara Cline, Kari Messerschmidt, Liz Burt, Brianna Dreyer, Meghan Williams, Lonnie Carter.



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**Mauricio Rivera**  
Grade 10

"The JV team is even better when I'm out there."



**Lance Anderson**  
Grade 9

"The freshman team have a bright future."

**Showin' determination-** Freshman Matt Rich positions to make a score against Lincoln on April 14, 2000.

**Takin' what's his-** Junior John Roberts fights for the ball.

**Watchin' his moves-** Freshman AJ Kneller shows confidence in playing the game as he concentrates on getting the ball.

## **S**howin' how it's done

The JV boys' soccer team is at the top with their successful victories. "The coaches are stricter this year, with almost three hours of practice every day," said Omar Meza. Perhaps that's what's keeping the players undefeated.

The team stands out with the extraordinarily different players this year. "Freshman are coming out and showing their skills, with some help from the upper classmates, of course," said Manuel Flores. The younger players show extreme talent with their teammates guidance and enthusiasm.

The JV boys' soccer team seems to be prepared physically and mentally to take on next year's challenge. They'll strive towards their victories and be prepared. The varsity team has taught them well.

They may be the underclassmen, but they sure did show us how to play the game.

# New faces all around

After graduating three seniors from last season's team, the varsity softball team looks to rebuild this year. In addition to new players on the team, there is a new coaching staff.

The team only returns five letter winners, four of which were starters. The returners are senior Meghan Kelso' juniors Stephanie Kelly, Jessica Kelso, and Amy Reierson' and sophomore Teresa Seabrooke.

Seabrooke stated, "It was fun and a great year. I enjoyed the experience as a freshman. I'll never forget having to make the decision of which bat Christy Meade should use for her!"

"We're looking forward to a successful season! I feel as though this team is made up of a very positive group of young hard-working student athletes," Seabrooke proudly exclaimed.

**I got it-** Sophomore Teresa Seabrooke tells Andrea Nulph she's got it as she dives for the ball.

**No, I got it-** Junior Amy Reierson says she has it this time.

**Up, Up, Up-** Junior Stephanie Kelly catches a pop fly at practice.



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## Varsity Softball

By Meghan Kelso



photo by Sara Ostrander



photo by Tom Hanlon



photo by Sara Ostrander

### **Five returning letter winners**

Meghan Kelso, Senior  
Stephanie Kelly, Junior  
Jessica Kelso, Junior  
Amy Reierson, Junior  
Teresa Seabrooke, Sophomore

**Front Row-** Andrea Nulph, Emma Berry, Lyndsay Cozad, Jessica Monroe, Alicia Baker, Sara Hudson; **Second row-** Sara Lewis, Sara Trammel, Stephanie Kelly, Jenny Grandquist, Kelsey Farmer, Annie Riordon; **Back row-** Amy Reierson, Trisha Myers, Christy Sorg, Jessica Kelso, Kristi Vanderlinden, Meghan Kelso, Amanda Rickie, Mandy Shirley, and Ashley Barge.

**Bunt!**- Sophomore Andrea Nulph prepares to bunt at a practice.

**Here it comes-** Junior Jessica Kelso starts her wind up to throw to the shagger at a practice.

# Covering the bases

The varsity baseball team looks forward to an impressive season this year.

The varsity baseball squad hopes to continue to build on the success of the last few years. "We are a very young and inexperienced varsity squad. We lost nine starters, and our top two pitchers from last year's squad that finished second place," said Coach Kenneth Burgess.

This year, the coach believes that the varsity squad can make it to the state tournament. He stressed that the team has a few weaknesses to work on; but, come tournament time, they will be ready. The players are hungry to show what they can do.

"Dowling, Indianola, and Ottumwa are the top squads in our division. Marshalltown, Valley, Urbandale, and Johnston are top squads in the other divisions," stated Coach Kenneth Burgess. Gerard Gause, second-year varsity player, had this to say about rivalry among other high schools, "Dowling always is a rival for Hoover in any sport, especially baseball, because we grew up with them always beating us."



photo by Sara Ostrander

**On the field**-Spencer Jones plays catch with teammates before practice.



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photo by Sara Ostrander

## Varsity Baseball

By La Toya Evans



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*photo by Sara Ostrander*

## Players of the Season

Eric Bolte  
Luke Brinkman  
Chad Conley  
Tom Craig  
Gerard Gause  
Tom Hanlon  
Dylan Harris  
Tim Hedrick

Spencer Jones  
Kyle Lynch  
Mike O'Hara  
Mark Rech  
Dan Rushing  
Jeremy Tapps  
Joe Tippins  
Dan Wright

### Jeremy Tapps

*Junior*

"Before the season started, we lost a couple players to the struggle; but, all in all, we have a winning squad."



### Gerard Gause

*Sophomore*

"Our team this year is very young, but we have played together all our lives. We will work really well together just like the seniors did who left last year."



*photo by Sara Ostrander*

**Heads up**-Eric Bolte awaits the arrival of the baseball.

**Throwing the heat**-Star pitcher Jeremy Tapps practices his pitches.

**Infield practice**-Tim Hedrick throws the ball back after taking a grounder during infield practice.

**Grounder**-Dylan Harris and Kyle Lynch play catch with teammates.

**Warming up**-Mike O'hara catches the baseball while Dan Rushing waits.

## Varsity Baseball

By La Toya Evans

# Lookin' up

The JV/Freshman teams will have an exciting season with two new coaches and several new players.

First year Hoover coach Kari Greenly will be instructing the freshman team. Kari was a senior softball player at Hoover in 1996. Drake University senior Tasha Smith will be coaching the JV girls. Tasha graduated from North High School in Des Moines.

This year's teams will be very young with young coaches. The freshman team will consist mostly of eighth graders. The JV team will mostly consist of the same eighth graders, freshmen, and sophomores.



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Mine, Mine, Mine-**  
Sophomore Jenny Grandquist catches a pop fly at practice.

**Here she comes-** Eighth grader Sara Lewis comes into third base at practice.

**Swingin' hard-** Eighth grader Jessica Monroe swings to hit the ball off the inside/outside tee.



photo by Tom Hanlon



photo by Tom Hanlon



photo by Tom Hanlon

**Stare down-** Some players choose to stare down the doomed pitcher.

**JV team-** The pauses for a quick picture.



photo by Tom Hanlon

## Bringing it home

This year's JV baseball team looks very promising. The team's main goal is to be a strong contender in the metro and make it to state.

This year the team is excited to be playing, and it is very apparent in their playing. A good attitude by the inexperienced players shows their strength as a team. The members have every intention of playing wholeheartedly until the end of the season.

We wish them well with their journey to success.



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photo by Tom Hanlon

**Hurl the rock-**Coach Sanders instructs his young pupils on how to hurl the rock.

**A break-**This group of talented freshman take a break from practice to just have fun.

### JV Baseball

By La Toya Evans

# We want a touchdown

Coached by Debbie Stetson, the Hoover football cheerleaders for the season of 1999-2000, kept the cheers a'comin at the football games this year. Their captains were Senior Sarah Lerdal and Junior Michelle Thompson.

Besides being involved with cheering at the games and performing an act at the Homecoming Assembly, the cheerleaders also helped decorate the gym. They held a Husky Pup Clinic, which they hold every year. The Husky Pup Clinic is held as a fundraiser for the girls.

"It was a good season. We had a lot of new girls, but we were still able to get along and work together," captain Sarah Lerdal said.

Captain Michelle Thompson said, "We had a record number of young girls this year that came out for the Husky Pups, and we had fun working with them."

Michelle Meyer said, "It was a great season, and it was fun getting out of class to help decorate the gym. It was good we got to participate in all the Homecoming activities."

Some say cheerleading is not a sport. That just depends on what that person's definition of sport is because to be a good cheerleader, the girls must have a lot of determination, spirit, and commitment. They must work hard and memorize a lot of cheers. They must also wear smiling faces!

"At times, it was frustrating; but, in the end, we all had a lot of fun," said Meyer.



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Varsity Football Cheerleaders-Back row: Nicole Schrader, Michelle Meyer, Ariel Stokka, Delyn Haley; Second row: Sparkle Kittrel, Sara Trammel, Sarah Lerdal, Shantoria Young, Jane Risinger, Megan Kollings; Front row: Arricka Carr, Michele Thompson.



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Flyin' High-Varsity Football Cheerleaders cheer, "We want a Touchdown!"

Go Hoover-Cheerleaders Sarah Lerdal and Megan Kollings cheer the football players on.



**They're so cute**-Seniors Patrice Williams, Vanessa Daniels, and junior Jennifer Case perform their holiday performance at a pep assembly.

**Oh really**-Senior Vanessa Daniels talks among the squad.



photo by Kari Messerschmidt

### Sokira Ieng Grade 12



photo by Lonnie Carter

"The best memory of cheerleading I have was when we went to Kansas City, MO. The Kansas City Chiefs' cheerleaders held a spirit day. High school cheerleaders from around the Midwest participated in their halftime dance. It was a great experience, one I will always remember."



photo by Lonnie Carter

**Go Hoover**-The squad--junior Megan Kollings, seniors Sokira Ieng and Caulinez Lovan, juniors Amber Bonesteel and Adrienne Wade, and senior Patrice Williams--cheers on the basketball team.

## Chanting for a win

Practice started in October for the Varsity Basketball Cheerleaders, and that's when the hard work of practicing cheers and chants started. This year's captains, Michelle Meyer and Patrice Williams, started right away to make sure the squad was prepared for the long and hard season ahead.

For the next few months, the cheerleaders lived cheerleading. They practiced Mondays, Wednesdays, and Sundays. The hard work was in anticipation of the homecoming performance, the holiday stunt at a basketball game, and the Student of All Seasons assembly.

### Varsity Basketball Cheerleading

By Meghan Kelso

# Cheering through thick and thin

This year's wrestling cheerleading squad consisted of juniors Nikki Brantley, Nicole Gardner, and Danielle Leon; along with seniors Raechel Bradley, Lonnie Carter, and Sara Parker.

The girls had a long season, cheering most Thursdays and Saturdays. Some times during the season were a bit wearing due to the low numbers on the wrestling team, but the girls stuck with the guys all through the season.

Senior Lonnie Carter said, "I thought that the season was fun even though it was cut short. Plus I enjoyed how Nikki Brantley and I explored the halls of other schools at invitationals."



photo by Nikki Brantley



photo by Deanna Carter

**Roughin' it up**-Senior Lonnie Carter shows Brian Hiskey how it's done.

**Sit down and cheer**-Wrestling Cheerleaders inspire the wrestlers at eye level. From left to right: Sara Parker, Raechel Bradley, Danielle Leon, Lonnie Carter, and Nicole Brantley.



photo by Deanna Carter

**Lounging around**-Wrestling Cheerleaders pass the time as they wait for the next round. From left to right: Sara Parker, Raechel Bradley, Danielle Leon, Nicole Brantley, and Lonnie Carter.



photo by Mullica



photo by Lonnie Carter

**Football squad** - (Top left) Top row: Kourtni Carr, Nikki Weideran, Kara Gappa; Middle Row: Lauren Fox, Jermaine Jackson, and Amanda Heck; Bottom Row: Jenny Jacobson, Nicole McGregor.

**Go Huskies** - (Top right) CrysteaL Kittrell, Stacy Maness, and Tammy Floden cheer during a time-out.

**Flying high** - (Below) Nicole McGregor is popped up high by her football squad.



photo by Mullica



Christina Dingman  
Basketball Squad

"It's fun to get crowds energetic during games. The Husky Pups program makes a lot of kids want to be future cheerleaders, just like me. I had a great time doing it."



photo by Lonnie Carter

## We want a victory

The 1999-2000 sophomore cheerleading squads cheered the Husky football and basketball teams to many victories.

The school year started off with the football season. Captained by Nicole McGregor, this was a unique squad because it was the first to have a male cheerleader, Jermaine Jackson. Coach Debbie Stetson said, "I am glad guys are taking an interest in a sport made for both genders."

The basketball cheerleaders were split into two squads to make sure both the girls' and boys' teams would be cheered for. Captained by Amanda Fetters and Tammy Floden, this squad worked well together and made sure the players knew that the school was very proud of them.



photo by Lonnie Carter

**Basketball Squad** - Bottom Row: Lindsey Wolvek, Stacy Maness; Middle Row: Christina Dingman, Tammy Floden, CrysteaL Kittrell, Libby Cullinan; Bottom Row: Carrie Lumley and Amanda Fetters.

**High expectations** - Jermaine Jackson shows off his amazing toe-touch.

## Sophomore Cheerleading

By Vanessa Daniels

# Cheering on the team

The Frosh cheerleaders faced the challenge of their first year. They lack the experience that the sophomore and varsity squads have.

Each year, it takes a lot of practice and hard work to make them competitive.

During Homecoming Spirit Week, they painted the sidewalk and decorated the football players' lockers. They also participated in the Beaverdale parade and the car rally.

"It was really fun this year working with the freshman cheerleaders and watching the extreme enthusiasm of these young girls," said Ms. Megan Kinder, assistant to Ms. Debbie Stetson, cheerleader advisor.



photo by Mullica

**Cheering from the benches**-Emily Rosenberger and Cathy Lovan cheer on the basketball team.

**Go, team, go!**-Jennifer Harding, Chelsea Long, and Tiffany Robb do a cheer for the football team.

**The football cheerleaders**-Front Row: Mayoula Deuanphenh; Row 2: Tiffany Robb and Jennifer Harding; Row 3: Alicia Courtney and Nicole Pryor; Back Row: Stephanie Adamo, Janelle Moore, and Chelsea Long.

**The basketball cheerleaders**-Front Row: Elyse Donhowe and Cathy Lovan; Row 2: Jessica Braune and Melissa Hirsch; Row 3: Erin Braak, Emily Rosenberger.



photo by Megan Kinder



Emily  
Rosenberger  
Grade 9

**"For the first time being a cheerleader, it was fun. It was a new experience. I got to know a whole bunch more people. Hopefully, I make it again next year."**



photo by Tom Hanlon



photo by Mullica

## Freshman Cheerleaders

By Ana Albizures



photo by Lorraine Carter



photo by Mullica

**We're No. 1**-(Top left) Sophomore football cheerleaders Kourtni Carr, Nikki Wiederien, Nicole McGregor, Jermaine Jackson, Kara Gappa, and Amanda Heck say who's the best.

**Ready to cheer**-(Top right) Varsity football cheerleaders Michelle Thompson, Janie Riserger, and Michelle Meyer get ready to inspire the Huskies.

**A joint effort**-(Middle left) Sophomores Jermaine Jackson and Nicole Wiederien; juniors Megan Kollings and Michelle Thompson; and sophomore Nicole McGregor come together to cheer during the Beaverdale parade.

**Stand up and cheer**-(Middle right) Varsity football cheerleaders perform at all-school assembly.



photo by Sara Ostrander



photo by Mullica



photo provided by Emily Rosenberger

## The heart of school spirit

The Hoover cheerleaders work hard all year to help boost the level of school spirit in their classmates.

**Lounging around**-Freshman basketball cheerleaders take a break between cheers. Front row: Elyse Donhowe, Cathy Lovan; Row 2: Melissa Hirsch; Row 3: Jessica Braune, and Emily Rosenberger; Back row: Erin Braak.

About sixty girls participated in the school's cheeleading program this year.

Each and every girl also participated in the Husky Pups Clinic that the school offers for elementary to middle school ages kids.

The cheerleaders had a successful year and had a lot of fun during all of the hard work.

### General Cheerleading

By Sara Parker

# Dancing into the millennium

The 1999-2000 Hoover Drill Team, consisting of 17 members and directed by Mary Ann Spicer, has come a long way. New dancers, new dances, and brand new uniforms have created a new and wonderful image for this drill team to pass on for years to come. The Husky Drill Team is stepping up and is ready to go.

They're hard workers, practicing on Tuesdays and Thursdays as early as 6:15 a.m. before school and as late as 8:00 p.m. after school. They are dedicated to making sure their steps are down packed and booming for cheering the Husky football and basketball teams on to victory.

Setting it off on their first performance, they danced to the song, "I get so lonely," by Janet Jackson. The pups got a loud roar of cheers from the Hoover stands. They are the first Hoover Drill Team in 7 years to get a number one rating at state. Mrs. Spicer was excited about the progress of the drill team, as she said, "We're awesome! Number 1 in district in dance funk. We tremendously improved over the years. We have more rhythm! We have more soul!" This all goes to show that these girls are definitely representing H.H.S. Go Huskies!



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Starting it out right**-Melissa Carlson and Tierra Gunn groove to the song, "I Get So Lonely," at Hoover's very first pep rally of the year.

**Let's spook it out**-Tiffany Smith, Breamne Cheatem, and Patricia Toth spook the crowd with their Halloween dance.





**Tiffany Ziegler**  
Grade 10

"It's gotten better since last year when I used to watch them on the stands."

**Markeeta Hutchinson**  
Grade 10

"It's fun and a very wonderful experience."



*photo by Tiffany Smith*



*photo by Lonne Carter*



*photo by Lonne Carter*

**Time to prep up**-Julie Talton, Markeeta Hutchinson, and Breanne Cheatem stop prepping to give a smile for the camera.

**Smile for the camera**-Back row; Ann Downey, Belma Bejovic, Tiffany Smith, Katie Kaiser, Hieu Pham, Deann Williams, Melissa Carlson. Middle row; Julie Talton, Lindsey Cozad, Markeeta Hutchinson, Tiffany Ziegler, Heather Roscott, Patricia Toth, Alisha Steward. Front row; Danielle Edmond, Breanne Cheatem.

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Kathryn Bastian, Special Education  
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Joyce Bruce, Dean of Students  
Jan Callan Mashek, Counselor  
Barbara Campbell, Counselor



## Guiding lights

The faculty of 1999-2000 welcomed several new members to the staff.

The incoming faculty included athletic director Dan McClannahan.

The family and consumer science department is expanded now by Marcia Messenger. Two new special education teachers were added, Jacque Fletcher and Kathryn Bastian.

These are a few of the teachers that added to the existing staff that is the backbone of this school already.

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**Teacher Forum**-Mrs. Chadwick and Ms. Bastian discuss student progress during a Special Education staffing, as long-term substitute Cindy Diodds listens in.

**Start the day right**-LTC Mark Strobel prepares the drills for the day.

**Only the best**-Senior Mark Quiner imitates Coach Duvall.

**Grading for the score**-Ms. Woods fields test papers for her science classes.



## Faculty

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Christina Gammell, Family Sciences  
Jerry Gay, Mathematics  
Sherri Gish, Special Ed. Associate  
Cindy Grandquist, Special Education  
Ann Grant, Special Education  
Bill Griffin, ESL



Donna Gronstal, Bookkeeper  
Eric Hall, Science  
Rick Hammen, Computer Applications  
Linda Hart, Campus Monitor  
Charlene Hartzler, Nurse  
Don Hatcher, Special Education



Denis Hildreth, Fine Arts  
Sandra Hinkle, Attendance  
Laura Hollingshead, Counseling Secretary  
Gerald Hollingsworth, Foreign Languages  
Ramona Holm, Library Clerk  
Chris Honek, Social Science



Dale Howe, Mathematics  
Francine Jackman, Registrar  
Barb Jamison, Mathematics  
Bob Jankovitz, Counselor  
Kirk Johnson, Language Arts  
Laura Johnson, Language Arts



Pat Johnston, Principal's Secretary  
John Kauzlarich, Driver's Education  
Debrah Keebler, Journalism  
Megan Kinder, Mathematics  
Chris Knee, Industrial Technology  
Sue Kneller, Cashier



Steve Koch, Social Science  
Pat Lawler, Business  
Hai Lee, Mathematics  
Janie Losee, Special Ed. Associate  
Tom Ludwig, Science  
Steve Lundholm, Physical Education



Sue Marcucci, Vice Principal  
Betty Mathers, Fine Arts  
Dan McClannahan, Athletic Director  
William McCollaugh, Principal  
Marcia Messenger, Family Sciences  
Joan Mickle, Special Ed. Associate

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**Here to help**-Mrs. Jamison helps student Emily Vance during class.

**To serve and protect**-Officer Jan Bjurstrom poses for a shot.

**Say "cheese"**-Carol Smith, Gayle Olsen, and Mica Haase, from food services, smile for the camera.



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Don Murphy, Science  
Maureen Murphy, Social Science  
Leonard Mussell, New Horizons



Maribeth Newman, School-to-Work Coor.  
Janiece Ochoa, ESL  
Diane Oleson, Associate  
Pamela Oster, Language Arts  
Mike Pecina, Special Education  
Don Perschau, Science



Ron Peterson, Physical Education  
DeAnne Petts, Work Experience  
Pam Pilcher, Librarian  
Susan Pille, ESL  
Judy Renoux, Business  
DawnDa Roney, Mathematics



Bobby Sandquist, Special Education  
Monica-Lee Schmiedel, Foreign Languages  
Jennifer Shaw, Foreign Languages  
Mary Slater, Foreign Languages  
MaryAnn Spicer, Language Arts  
Richard Stendel, Band





Debbie Stetson, Physical Education  
Diane Strey, Special Education  
Mark Strobel, ROTC  
Glenda Thomason, Clerk  
Linda Thomson, Language Arts  
Dave Thrasher, Media Associate



Carolyn Thune, Mathematics  
Wendy Turner, Physical Education  
Linda Vanderpool, Choir  
Roberta Vermillion, Spec. Ed. Assoc.  
Lee Walhert, ROTC  
Erdyne Whiteside, Spec. Ed. Assoc.



Carol Wieneke, Special Education  
Bob Wilkerson, Fine Arts  
Miriam Woods, Science



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**Strike a pose**-Ms. Stetson and Ms. Turner take a break from cheering and smile at the camera.

**Mr. Fix it**-Mr. Jerry Lewis, building electrician, makes sure the school is in working order.

**Balancing the budget**-Bookkeeper Donna Gronstall counts funds.

**Relaxing**-Mr. Hollingsworth takes a break from class to enjoy a good book.



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## Faculty

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Freshman Divider

By Vanessa Daniels

# New faces

The beginning of the school year seemed nearly impossible to live through. Forgotten locker combinations, strange new faces, loud crowded hallways, nervous first impressions, and fresh Homecoming dates.

Being the youngest of a group of much older and mature people, the freshmen rose to the task of fitting in with the upperclassmen. Valerie Daniels said, "Being a freshman is fun; I get to go to dances and make my own decisions. The upperclassmen are not as mean as I expected them to be." Freddy Walker said, "It was cool fitting in with everyone at Hoover and being myself at the same time."

With hard work and determination, the freshmen learned the hard lesson of managing time and saving time for the fun, as well as for homework.

Using all of their experience from the last eight years of their education, the freshmen brought a lot of qualities to Hoover that will continue to make this a school that is extremely varied and well rounded.



**Freshman Divider**

By Vanessa Daniels

Tyler Abbott  
Elizabeth Ackley  
Stephanie Adamo  
Heather Allen  
Lance Andersen  
Russell Andersen  
Dontale Anderson



Matt Anderson  
Joe Andrews  
Sueann A Andrews  
Lindsay Arthur  
Austin Baeth  
Miranda Ballard  
Joel Bane



Ashley Bassett  
Hasan Begovic  
Ray Bennett  
Nihad Berbo  
Laura Boesen  
Kisha Boggs  
Mark Bognanni



Erin Braak  
Jessica Braune  
Ashley Brooks  
Joel Brooks  
Whitney Buchanan  
Emira Budimlic  
Jasminka Buljubasic



Andrew Buscher  
Douglas Calvert  
Jeffrey Cam  
Tyler Camus  
Kourtni Carr  
Richard Carrasco  
Andrew Case



Daniela Casillas  
Chris Castellano  
Denis Catic  
Ryan Chicoine  
Corey Clayton  
Amalia Cone  
Kristopher Constant



Cody Cooper  
Caine Coppi  
Carly Coppi  
Amy Cornwell  
Matthew Couch  
Alicia Courtney  
Lyndsey Cozad



Jonathan Crane  
Michael Crane  
Chelsea Cunningham  
Gary Dameron Jr  
Valerie Daniels  
Alec Davis  
Christina Davis





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**Exchanging a toothy grin**-Erin Braak and Brandy Mulvihill get a kick out of the latest rumors during passing time.

**Teacher's pets**-Paul Smajd and Jason Pollock exchange a warm smile with their study hall advisor Mrs. Backstrom.

**Will wonders never cease?**-Matt Anderson enjoys reading *Animal Farm*.



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**Near and dear**- Pals Tomeka Diggs, Ronnie Diggs, and Keimyereia Lewis mingle during a typical lively lunch period.



Ira Delilovic  
Bethany Deskin  
Mayoula Deuanepheneh  
Daniel Dickinson  
Rusty Dickinson  
Ronald Diggs  
Tomeka Diggs



Lam Dinh  
Elyse Donhowe  
Daryl Douglas  
Ann Downey  
Sarah Dunbar  
Hannah Edwards  
Ericca English



Ta'Wuan Farley  
Megan Farlow  
Kelsie Farmer  
Jessica Forneris  
Nebojsa Francic  
Mayumi Franco  
Steven Franklin



Tyler Frazier  
Julia Frey  
Stephanie Gable  
Desa'Ray Gardner  
Timothy Garles  
Chan Giang  
Mirna Giron



Tony Goldman  
Lariana Gonzalez  
Amanda Goodding  
Anastasia Gordon  
Shane Gordon  
Ashley Graham  
Brandon Granillo

## Freshmen

By LaShunda Evans

Blake Groen  
Laysha Gross  
Forrest Hallam  
Christopher Hankins  
Stephanie Hanson  
Jennifer Harding  
Leigh Harmon



Kaci Harris  
Kelsy Harris  
Earl Harvey  
Tarry Heckathorn  
Yessica Hernandez  
Mindy Higgins  
Porcha Hill



Melissa Hirsch  
Theang Ho  
Adisa Hodzic  
Joey Holler  
Megan Holtz  
Danielle Hopkins  
Andrew Horton



Samaly How  
Jamie Howard  
Elizabeth Howland  
Eva Hunter  
James Hunter  
Kristina Husidic  
Thao Huynh



Brett Iddings  
Adam Ivess  
Sabino Jr. Jaquez  
James Jeffries  
Bryan Johnson  
Jessica Johnson  
Matthew Johnson



Almir Jukic  
Andrew Kachel  
Mohamed Kader  
Medisa Kadusic  
Lanette Kennebeck  
Nicole Kent  
Prakeye Keutla



Hannah Kirby  
Stephanie Kirstein  
Kyle Kjellberg  
Aaron Kneller  
Katherine Kuhn  
Ashley Lack  
Stacy Lear



Jody Leewright  
Cherie Lefleur  
Abby Leinen  
Lisa Lester  
Michael Linn  
Chelsea Long  
Kendra Long





Edgar Looney  
Tina Lothi  
Cashtyn Lovan  
Lewis Lyons  
Joel Mangold  
Nicole Manning  
Valerie Mayer



Jose Mayorga  
Heather McCaune  
Jasmine McDowell  
Maggie McGinnis  
Andrew McGregory  
Steve McLaughlin  
Rusvita Mehic



Ashley Messer  
Ryan Miller  
Miguel Miranda  
Alexis Moeller  
Samantha Moeller  
Janelle Moore  
Tyler Morrison



Brandi Mulvihill  
Tehvedin Murgic  
Edin Musinovic  
Trisha Myers  
Jason Neff  
Kira Nehmer  
An Nguyen



Phong Nguyen  
Tri Nguyen  
Briana Norton  
Travis Obrien  
Dzenita Ohren  
Melissa Opperman  
Maria Orozco



Harrison Overton  
Christa Palmer  
Jessie Parish  
Kyle Pearce  
Joseph Pecora  
Adela Perez  
Ariana Phillips



Ashley Phillips  
Aric Pickett  
Stephen Plummer  
Jason Pollock  
Sara Pratt  
Jennifer Preston  
Jayna Pritchard



Jasmine Pryor  
Nicole Pryor  
Ramon Quinones  
Teri Radden  
Travis Rail  
Jennifer Reece  
Henrietta Reed

## Freshmen

By LaShunda Evans



Allison Reese  
Kristen Reese  
Adam Reynolds  
Matthew Rich  
Tiffany Robb  
Dustin Roberts  
Stephenie Robinson



Jessica Rocha  
Daniel Rodriguez  
Kevin Rodriguez  
Tia Rodriguez  
Alex Rohlwing  
Emily Rosenberger  
Heather Rostoks



Anika Roth  
Jill Ruby  
Dominique Rushing  
Michael Schaffer  
Megan Scharping  
Jordan Schlak  
Brian Schnoor



Betsy Scroogs  
Sandra Sehic  
Nina Seric  
Maria Sevillano  
Ashlee Sharp  
Erika Shaw  
Joseph Shehan



Amanda Shirley  
Anthony Sinclair  
Ane Skenderovic  
Maegan Slechta  
Paul Smajd  
Ryan Smiley  
Aaron Smith



Allison Smith  
Teono Smith  
Kristy Sorg  
Christopher Sposeto  
Joshua Stallworth  
Kimberly Stammer  
Matthew Starck

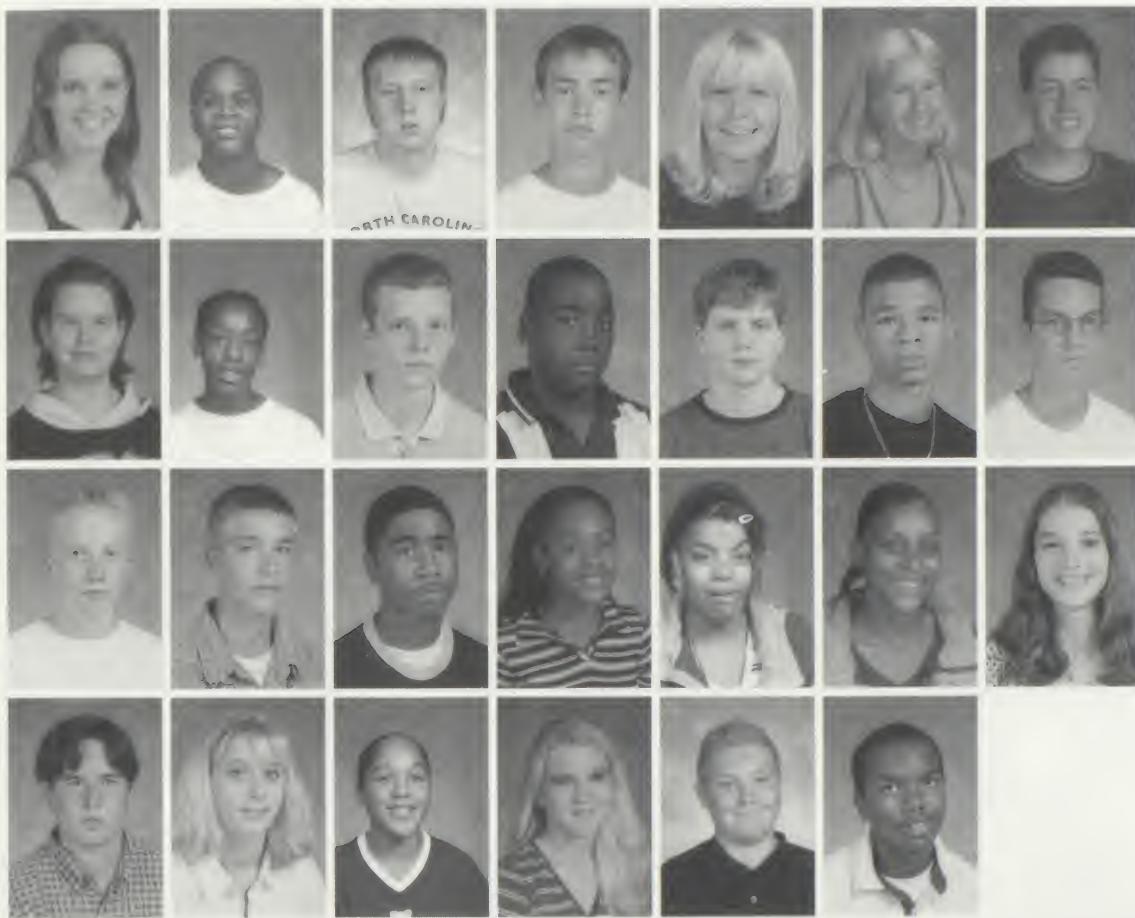


Megan Stearns  
Jonathan Stevens  
David Stoltze  
Sarah Szymczuk  
Sanel Talic  
Cedric Taylor  
Tyneka Taylor



Emily Thompson  
Eric Thorsen  
Kelly Thorsen  
Dutch Timm  
Tam Tran  
Thanh Tran  
Holly Tredway





Cinda Turner  
Marques Turner  
Lane Van Gorden  
Phillip Van Liew  
Janice Vandepol  
Christine Vanderlinden  
Clayton Veach

Missie Waldrop  
Freddy Walker  
Nick Walker  
Demmeatri Warren  
Matthew Waters  
Jordan Weber  
Joseph Weiberg

Brandon White  
Aj Wieck  
Allan Williams  
Larree Williams  
Shabrina Wilson  
Stacey Wilson  
Aimee Wimber

Adam Wolfe  
Colleen Wood  
Melissa Woods  
Shawna Woolery  
Patrick Wright  
Richard Wright

### Camera Shy

Luis Aguayo	Brian Denney
Dudley Allison	Danielle Douglas
Leopoldo Alonso	Saneta Dzankovic
Shunntae Averette	Tarah Fisher
Kristin Beem	Jesus Flores
Stephanie Beem	Natalie Flores
Elvisa Bektic	Charles Foster
Melissa Bouger	Brandon Franklin
Carrie Brown	Julian Garrison
Troy Burney	Zachary Gearhart
Benjamin Busiek	Barbara Gray
Camie Carwell	Johnetta Grayson
Michael Carmichael	Bonnie Griffin
Irving Cartagena	Eric Gross
Chaiya Cavan	Branden Hamrick
Vedad Ceric	La Royia Haygood
Maciel Colin	Joshua Hood
Jeremie Cooley	Bianca Horsley
Antonio Cruz	Eric Humphrey
Nivardo Davila	Aaron Imhoff
Chelsea Davis	Jessica James

Aaron Jenkins	Susana Murillo
Andrew Jeter	Tyne Negrete
Micheal Jeter	Nathan Nicolino
Rosario Jimenez	Jacqueline Nordquist
Cody Jorgenson	Jesica Olson
Raynece Lee	Juan Perez
Alan Lockman	Binh Pham
Marcos Lopez	Jose Quiles
William McDowell	Erika Rasey
Brandi McFadden	Nino Recko
Scott Milks	Fatima Rekanovic
Octavia Miller	Chris Remily
Danesha Minor	Juan-Carlo Reyes
Stacey Mokosak	Ryan Robinson
Asada Moore	Juana Rocha
Emanuel Mora	Llerena Rocha
Christopher Morse	Maria Rocha
Normicka Mozee	Maria Rodriguez
Vahid Mujic	Olivia Rodriguez
Anna Mylaosmanovic	Gerrale Russell
Jessica James	Marwan Saadiq



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**Lean on me-** That's what friends Rusty Dickinson, Cody Wade, James Jeffreys, Tyler Morrison, and Shane Gordon think as they spend quality time together during lunch time.

**Yummy-** Betsy Scroggs, Sarah Szymczuk, and Stephanie Gable pig out during lunch.

# S O P H O M O R E S





# Moving on up

"I'm not the youngest anymore. As a sophomore, I get more privileges than the freshmen," Patience Dean said happily. Patience isn't the only one who felt that. Mike Stites said, "I get treated with a little more respect."

Sophomores also made friends with the juniors and seniors. For most sophomores, along with their move up in grade level, came more respect from the upperclassmen since sophomores are no longer the new students who don't even know where half their classes are.

On top of the sophomores knowing their way around, they also started to get more involved in activities and sports. Mike Stites who is a basketball player said, "It's going to be more of a challenge on the basketball team now that we're all more experienced."

Cindy Escobar said, "Classes are getting harder." Another exciting class for some of the sophomores is drivers-ed. Getting their drivers licenses and being able to go out for lunch instead of being stuck at school is always a sign of their status.

Elizabeth Albright  
Jasenko Alimanovic  
Michelle Allison  
Andrew Anderson  
Edgar Arechiga  
Jennifer Attey  
Donnetta Austin



Jennifer Barnes  
John Beebe  
Belma Bejtovic  
Lindsey Bell  
David Belluchi  
Daniel Bench  
Andrew Beynen



Kendric Birden  
Heather Birk  
Ashley Blunden  
Jerry Boagard  
Kimberly Bolden  
Matthew Borgini  
Christopher Bossuet



Deadrick Brown  
Latrienda Brown  
Thomaz Brown  
Danielle Bryan  
Ellayna Burgs  
Anthony Burkett  
Christopher Burrows



Emily Burt  
Angel Butts  
Jeleva Caldwell  
Nicholas Callahan  
Seth Campbell  
James Caraway  
Michael Carey



Jason Carroll  
Chris Cavan  
Breanne Cheatem  
Anthony Chicoine  
Amanda Clark  
Alex Clayton  
Jennifer Clearman



Charity Coleman  
Matthew Collins  
Chad Conley  
Roberta Craddock  
Theodore Craig  
Edis Crncevic  
Vanja Crncevic



Orlando Cruz  
Elizabeth Cullinan  
Ngoc Dang  
Vinh Dang  
Jennifer Darnielle  
Christopher Dashiell  
Hata Dautovic





Joshua Davis  
Mary Davis  
Stephanie Day  
Delveta Dervisevic  
Christina Dingman  
Ly Dinh  
Jeffrey Dishong



Chelsea Donovan  
Christopher Douglas  
Shaun Drum  
Amanda Dudding  
Lejla Dzafic  
Erik Eastman  
Kerri Ehlers



Cindy Escobar  
Craig Farley Jr  
Gregory Farmer  
Travis Fenton  
Noel Fernandez-Guzma  
Amanda Fetters  
Jessica Fiene



Tammy Floden  
Amanda Foster  
Lauren Fox  
Jesse Frazier  
Kara Gappa  
Maria Garcia  
Lamontie Gause



David Gier  
Daniel Glynn  
Shawn Godbey  
Brandon Goodwin  
Jacob Graham  
Jennifer Grandquist  
Jason Gronstal



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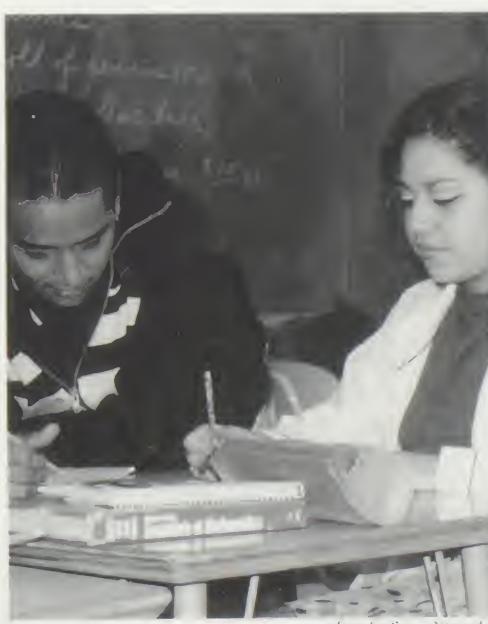


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**It's lunchtime-**Ashley Lyons, Megan Lyons, Katie Kaiser, Tammy Floden, Lindsey Wolvek, and Alisha Steward chat during lunch.

**Working together-**Omar Meza and Dalia Rosas work together on a math assignment in class.

**Taking a break-**Carrie Lumly, Katie St. Claire, Terra Flipping, and Amanda Clark take a break from World History to chat.

## Sophomores

By Sokisha Lyons



**A little art here and there**-Andrea Nulph and Nicole McGregor draw in art class.

**Time for chilling**-Crysteal Kittrell, Tammy Floden, Laura Ryan, and LaTrienda Brown chill in history class.

**Time for art**-Soun Ngan works on an assignment in art class.

**Using time wisely**-Son Nguyen and Tuyen Phan do a hard day's work in algebra.



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Vicente Guerrero  
Isaac Harris  
Amanda Heck  
Seth Hedquist  
Timothy Hedrick  
Katharine Hensyel  
Nashenia Hill



Shannon Hill  
Nienh Ho  
Lejla Hoezie  
Maria Holloway  
Admir Hasic  
Emily Hotka  
Heather Howe



Meredith Howland  
Laura Hudson  
Stephanie Huff  
David Hunsberger  
Natalija Husidic  
Markeeta Hutchinson  
Long Inrachavong



Michelle Isaacson  
Jermaine Jackson  
Keairre Jackson  
Jennifer Jacobson  
Cassandra James  
Michael James  
Crystal Jamison



## Sophomores

By Sokisha Lyons

## ***How is your sophomore year different than your freshman year?***

"Harder classes."- Tiffany Zieger

"I know more people; it's easy to get around, and people don't tease you as much."-Megan Lyons

"I'm not treated like a little kid anymore, and now I have someone to push around."-LaTrienda Brown

"No difference, except I'm older."-Saroeun Ngan

"My freshman year we were 1-8. My sophomore year we're city champs, and we're going for Conference against Dowling."- Mark Davis

"I have no clue."-Martell Pratt

"More homework."-San San James

"I don't have classes with none of my friends, and it's a little harder."-Sharron Martin



Jamie Johansen  
Eric Johnson  
Jennifer Jones  
Spencer Jones  
Katie Kaiser  
Drazen Karalic  
Jennifer Kennard



Lainey Kinzel  
Crystal Kittrell  
Eldon Kroll  
Jamie Kruse  
Elizabeth LaPole  
Travis Laudick  
Jeff Leitch



Keimyeraia Lewis  
Sheila Lidner  
Dustin Lindgren  
Tyron Little  
Nicole Lloyd  
Frankie Lowery  
Carrie Lumley



Ashley Lyons  
Megan Lyons  
Staci Maness  
Angela Manriquez  
Ebony Marks  
Sharron Martin  
Amanda Mason



Venise McCown  
Candice McFarland  
Nicole McGregor  
Katie Meade  
Marshall Mease  
Jeffrey Meyer  
Omar Meza

### **Sophomores**

By Sokisha Lyons

Jason Miller  
Matthew Miller  
Steven Miller  
Rachel Moll  
Jennifer Moore  
Jonathan Moulin  
Toinette Mozee



Meghan Murphy  
Kyle Murray  
Traquisha Murrell  
Justin Myers  
Zachary Nereim  
Jamie Neuwerth  
Brandon Newton



Saroeun Ngan  
Tuan Ngo  
Bang Nguyen  
Andrea Nulph  
Andrew Ostbloom  
Travis Ostbloom  
Josh Ostergaard



Nicole Otool  
Scott Overton  
Ashley Page  
Melissa Parra  
Kirit Patel  
Anne Pham  
Andrew Phillips



Mitch Pickett  
Jacob Pollock  
Martell Pratt  
Theresa Quiner  
Colin Rail  
Beth Reese  
Pascual Reyes



John Riehl  
Colin Riordan  
Mauricio Rivera  
Lacey Robinson  
Llerena Rocha  
Dylan Rogers  
Dalia Rosas



Joseph Rosenberger  
Brooke Roth  
Temeka Rushing  
Laura Ryan  
Teresa Seabrooke  
Derrick Shade  
Andrew Sheaffer



Dusty Shook  
Justin Sinclair  
Benjamin Smith  
Eric Smith  
Anthony Soike  
Shane Squire  
Katie St.Clair





Alisha Steward  
Michael Stites  
Nijaz Suljic  
Adam Szymczuk  
David Tate  
Meridith Tenney  
Nicole Tesch

Asia Thacker  
Rataya Thomas  
Grant Thompson  
Michael Tomlinson  
Patricia Toth  
Lynn Tran  
Tyler Treanor

Joshua Tripp  
Emily Trump  
Jennifer Ung  
Javier Valdez  
Luis Valdez  
Jason Van De Pol  
Paola Vergara

Sean Vick  
Vu Vo  
Anthony Walker  
Joshua Waters-Jackson  
Joshua West  
Nashari White  
Glen Whiteside

Nicole Wiederien  
Brettney Wiley  
Lindsey Wolvek  
Eboney Woods  
John Wur  
Nick Young  
Tiffany Ziegler



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**True friendship**-Teresa Seabrooke and Kora Gappa stop to hug for the camera.

**Keeping the heat**-Laura Ryan, Michelle Isaacson, Amanda Fetters, Jermaine Jackson, and Libby Cullinan huddle together at Williams Stadium during a Hoover vs. North game.

## Camera Shy

Luis Andrade	Jessica Delcid	Aide Huerta	James Morrison
Zonella Bailey	Goran	Christine Jefferson	Jonathan Nentl
Vincent Ballard	Dobrosavljevic	Donald John	Son Nguyen
Ana Bautista	Juan Dunigan	Jack Johnson, III	Nicholas Ortiz
Ashley Bell	Lewis Evans	Johnathan Johnson	Tuyen Phan
Edin Buljubasic	Matthew Favors	Colby Karaidos	Donavin Pope
Royer Caceres	Terra Flipping	Nyadhoal Kiir	Mehmed Porcic
Jerri Carr	Alejandro Garcia	Jim Kengsawan	Olga San Elias
Emina Ceric	Daisy Gomez	Ashley Manning	Tiffany Smith
Andrew Connet	Adam Good	Jaime Marquez	Philip Snowbarger
Jessica Cook	Matthew Gunn	Martha Marquez	Shena Stafford
Julie Cook	Kathleen Haege	Lechay McGruder	Amber Tharp
Ines Crncevic	Ian Hamill	Sanimir Mehic	Justin Thomas
Joshua David	Nick Hammack	Ivan Mendias	Spomenka Tudovic
Mark David	Melissa Hardy	Michael Merritt	Justin Welsch
Patience Dean	Adam Hays	Christa Milks	Toryan White
Amel Dedic	Ervina Hodzic	Aaron Miller	David Zenteno

## Sophomores

By Sokisha Lyons

# JUNIORS



Junior Divider

By Beth Weiberg

# Coming up

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## next

"The fun is over," or so Zehra Sikiric thinks. The Hoover junior class is discovering a new-found independence. They are all behind the wheel and ready to conquer the world, or at least the parking lot.

The 1999/2000 students in the junior class of Hoover High School are more than willing to let everyone know their true opinions about the parking situation.

Latosha Prather said, "I think we need to get rid of the handicap spots. Nobody ever uses them anyways."

Although the parking situation has been grim for a long time, and efforts have been made over the years to improve it, we, the junior class of 1999/2000 has a vested interest in improving it for all Hoover's future classes."

Along with the juniors new independance, there is this wonderful thing called responsibility. They are starting to plan for college, paying for all their car insurance, and trying to handle the new surplus of homework.

Becky Gates feels that chemistry is the hardest class this year.

Kiemyereia Lewis says, "I like the challenge, and it will help me achieve my goals."

This junior class has come a long way and has a lot to look forward to.

So watch out!

The Juniors are coming up next.



Gualalupo Aguayo  
Maria Aguayo  
Ana Albizures  
Emily Andersen  
Jaime Arrieta  
Joel Ashcraft  
Zulfikar Bachelani



Grant Baird li  
Whitney Baldwin  
Vince Ballard  
Jered Bane  
Tara Banghart  
Nekita Barber  
Holly Bartlett



Babette Bates  
Joshua Bell  
Amanda Bethards  
Alicia Bishop  
Steven Bockert  
Eric Bolte  
Tia Bougher



Mac Brandt  
Nicole Brantley  
David Brewer li  
Jessica Briggs  
Luke Brinkman  
Elizabeth Buckley  
Christine Buckroyd



Edin Buljubasic  
Luke Burgus  
Anastasia Busiek  
Alvaro Calderon  
Shawn Call  
Joseph Calvert  
Michael Carlson



Arricka Carr  
Nick Carter  
Jennifer Case  
Cynthia Casillas  
Rubi Castro  
Niksavh Chan tho vang  
Tram Chau



William Cinnamon  
Melanie Clark  
Michael Cole  
Kalmal Coleman  
Crystal Collier  
Jamie Collier  
Melissa Collier



Samantha Collins  
Thomas Craig  
Andrew Curl  
Di Dao  
Sapphire Debrown  
Amir Dedic  
Jessica Deleid





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**Listen up !-** Tom Craig, Emily Andersen, and Jennifer Gable give a presentation.



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Linh Dinh  
Rachel Dow  
Nedzad Dzafic  
Alissa Fabritz  
Katherine Farlow  
Jose Figueroa  
Angela Finnell



Manuel Flores  
Marisol Flores  
Jennifer Fravel  
Jodi Frederiksen  
David Fugate Jr  
Jennifer Gable  
Shattorion Gaddy



Nicole Gardner  
Daniel Garles  
Rebecca Gates  
Joel Gettys  
Sean Glynn  
Michael Goetz  
Christopher Gordon



Zoran Grabovac  
Robert Griffith  
Tanner Grutz  
Rudy Guerra  
Sara Gustafson  
Mitzie Hadsall  
Delyn Haley



Brittany Hall  
Sarah Halldin  
Frederick Hamilton  
Teresa Hankins  
Tom Hanlon  
Kody Harris  
Cameron Hawkins

## Juniors

By Judith Quinones

**Concentrating**-Sophomore Travis Laudick tries to get some work done.

**Discussing**-Matt Highland, John Roberts, and Amanda Bethards work together.



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Diandra Heard  
Adam Heathcote  
Fernando Hernandez  
Hector Hernandez  
Matt Highland  
Brian Hiskey  
Elliott Hoffman



Amanda Howard  
Stephanie Howard  
Aladin Hukarevic  
Crncevic Igor  
Aaron Ilvess  
Pok Inrachavongsa  
Amanda Johnson



John Johnson  
Emily Jolly  
Kim Jones  
Matthew Jones  
Nazneen Kader  
Stephanie Kelly  
Jessica Kelso



Steven Kennedy  
Ronald Kepple  
Keniesha Kinney  
Samantha Knox  
Megan Kollings  
Beatris Kovacevic  
Carl Kraft





Denisa Kruskic  
Tram Le  
Kevin Lebeau  
Christopher Lee  
Danielle Leon  
Elvis Letic  
Aichia Levy



Michelle Lind  
Brandy Lunesford  
Ngoc Luong  
Jennifer Luongvan  
Kyle Lynch  
David Lyons  
Sokisha Lyons



James Maness  
Juan Martinez  
Jeremy Masterson  
Bethany Mayer  
Nathan McCarty  
Stefanie McLaughlin  
Erica McQuerry



Alma Mehic  
Drew Melton  
Miguel Mendez  
Brad Miller  
Jacqueline Miller  
Andrew Mitchell  
Angelique Moore



Azra Mrvoljak  
Remzija Murgic  
Katherine Newman  
Soun Ngan  
Kim Nguyen  
Nhu-Quynh Nguyen  
Kris Nihsen



Matthew Nizzi  
Michael Odeay  
Kristi Pddycoart  
Hardeep Peggy  
Gloria Perez  
Cong Pham  
Ha Pham



Hieu Pham  
Zachary Pollock  
Zorica Pranjkovic  
Latisha Prather  
Lindsay Price  
Michelle Rich  
Cassandra Richards



Savanna Richardson  
Robert Riordan  
Donald Roberts  
John Roberts  
Mary Rodine  
William Rosewall  
Seth Rowland

## Juniors

By Judith Quinones

**Bidin' time**-Kim Jones, Matt Wessing, and Liz Buckley have a friendly conversation before classes begin.

**Cheap labor**-Kristen Snyder lends a hand.

**Humorous moment**-Junior Rachel Dow and sophomore Andrew Ostblom enjoy a good laugh while reading the *Scarlet Letter* in English class.



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Joseph Ruby  
Mirian Ruiz  
Mark Rundle  
Kristin Rundlett  
Hajrija Samardzic  
Edgar Sanchez  
Michael Sater



Katherine Schaffer  
Susan Schumacher  
Rahsean Sharp  
Melissa Shirley  
Brandi Shively  
Christopher Shook  
Joseph Shore



Roxann Sieglaff  
Zehra Sikiric  
Southida Simahano  
Enver Sivac  
Christina Smajd  
Jeffrey Smith  
Kristen Snyder



Jeffery Spencer  
Thomas Spurgin  
Ariel Stokka  
Stan Stout  
Deanna Sturtevant  
Christopher Talcott  
Jacqueline Tangeman





Jeremy Tapps  
Kimberly Taylor  
Tanasha Taylor  
Aaron Thomas  
Michele Thompson  
Michael Thorsen  
Tara Tidwell



Alex Tigges  
Demarco Tolson  
Sara Trammel  
Jason Trimble  
Micaela Tuttle  
Danielle Utter  
Erika Valles



Ronald Vernia  
Patrick Vignaroli  
Adrienne Wade  
Robert Ward  
Paul Ware  
April Wells  
Brandon Wesley



Matthew Wessing  
Wilshya White  
Erin Whittie  
Deann Williams  
Eva Williams  
Jasmine Williams  
Andrew Wilson



Matthew Wineinger  
Michelle Winters  
Daniel Wright  
Shawntae Young  
Brian Zimmerman  
Zujezdan Zivkovic

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GUSTAVO AGUAYO  
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NKO I. AKPAN-AUGUTINE  
SHANELLE D. BALLIET  
SHAWN M. BACKETT  
ENA BEGANOVIC  
MIRNES BEKTIC  
AMBER M. BONESTEEL  
SANJA BARKOVIC  
AARON J. BOSTON  
ROBIN BROOKS  
TREASURE A. BROWN  
ASHLEE M. BURKETT  
SANJA CEJVAR  
DAVID J. CHATWOOD  
DENAYA S. CLAYBORNE  
RYAN J. COOPER  
BRIAN CORNWELL  
IGOR CRNCEVIC  
Mersed Dautovic  
SAJMA DAUTOVIC  
JOHN D. DAYE

ZACHARY A. DECKER  
KENNEDY W. DOUGLAS  
ALEXANDER ERVANIAN  
SHENEE' R. FRANCIS  
BRADLEY M. FRASER  
BRENDA Y. GARCIA  
AMANDA J. HAECKEL  
CHARNELLE HARRIS  
KORY K. HARRIS  
MONICA M. HERNANDEZ  
REYNA E. HERNANDEZ  
BRADLEY HESS  
JOHNNIE R. HOGAN  
KENDALL M. HURNS  
BOGDAN IVANOSK  
ERIC JOHNSON  
MATTHEW JORGENSEN  
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NHUT T. LY  
CHAD P. MCCOY  
MICHAEL J. MCCOY  
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ENES MEHINOVIC  
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JUAN A. MILLAN  
ESMA MUJIC  
ERECH D. NORTON  
LACRESHA V. PACE  
MARK A. RECH  
AMY C. REIERSON  
TEODORO REYES ROCHA  
CARA RUSSELL  
JESSICA N. SALLAGE  
KRISTINA STANLEY  
JOHN M. STEPHENSON  
MANUEL SUAREZ  
JULIE TALTON  
GATLAUK K. THIYANG  
BRYAN K. WEBER  
JENNIFER WESTON  
TOMAS WHITE  
BILLY WINSLOW  
SEAN P. WOODARD  
FEDERICO ZUNIGA

*Class Of*



*"Remember Yesterday, Dream*

Class Colors: Metallic Cobalt Blue and Silver

# 2000



*of Tomorrow, Live for Today."*

Class Flower: White Rose

# Dazzling

## Class of 2000

As kindergartners, we were told that we would graduate in the year 2000; we were even given a tee shirt to commemorate the event. Little did we know that the year 2000 would be one of the most celebrated events in history. We finally began to understand why we were given the shirts and were followed around every few years by the press. We were the first graduating class of the new millennium.

Throughout the years, we have grown into individuals. We have all worked hard to establish a name for ourselves in hopes that everyone would remember it and what it stands for.

Well, here they are. The seniors for the 1999-2000 school year. As we remember our fellow classmates in the present and future, we will always remember that one specific trait that each person possessed. Each of those traits represented an individual piece to the puzzle and, when brought together, successfully formed our class, the graduating class of 2000.



Christopher Anderson



Joseph Ashby



Sanelia Atajic



Heather Marie Bash



Donna Marie Bates



Charles A. Beebe III



Morgan Marie Bell



Benjamin L. Benson



Ericka A. Blake



Megan Elizabeth Boesen



Shannon Bolte



Sasa Borcic



Aaron Boston



Amanda E. Bradley



Raechel Bradley



*photo by Kari Messererschmidt*

School spirit-Joe Tippins and Nanthida Deuanepheneh attend a pep assembly with their fellow classmates.



Marc Brooks



Joseph Brott



Glenda R. Brown



Isaiah Brown



Jerry Leroy Buckley



Samantha Bunn



Haley Burford



Dino Buric



Christopher Burkard



Jerome 'Rome' Burrell



Elizabeth Jean Burt



Sidney Louise Butler



Brian Call



Melissa Carlson



Lonnie Marie Carter



William Carter



Shazasha Cason



Phillip Cavan



Jahmal Cavit



Sisavart Chanthaphon



Quyen Chau



Melanie C. Clark



Sara Jo Cline



Tracy Cochran



Michael Vincent Collet



Jason Coltrain



Joshua Colwill



James Cook



Chase Coppi



Sean Cunningham



Jevon Dameron



Vanessa Marie Daniels



Phung Dao

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

### *Sydnei Harris*



Mersed Dautovic



Sajma Dautovic



Aaron Davis



Brad Davis



Reginald Davis



Almedina Delic



Phong Deo



Dianna Marie Deskin



Narthida Deuanepheneh



Daniel Dinnauer



Igor Dobrosavljevic



Munchelo Dock

The graduating class of 2000 is full of talent. Some students display their talent clearly, while others are more modest about it. These students are the ones who participate heavily in activities at school but often fade into the background. This doesn't necessarily happen deliberately. Sometimes, the most talented students are the ones who are the least recognized. These students may be humble, but they tend to provide the foundation of the committee or group they are involved in. They are hard working and gifted.

Sydnei Harris is no exception. Sydnei was heavily involved in Orchestra and Choir all four years of high school.

In Orchestra, Sydnei played the violin. She was very talented, but her talent didn't necessarily come easily. She worked hard to gain the talent that she possessed. In the long run, Sydnei's hard work paid off. She continued to improve and still worked hard, regardless of her success. According to her director Derek Claussen, Sydnei "has been one of the most conscientious and hardest workers in orchestra. She is a rock upon which the violins can always depend. I am positive she will become a leader in many ways in the future."

The same goes for Sydnei's participation in Choir. She sings soprano in Hoover's Chamber Choir, a select group of about twenty to thirty students. Sydnei worked hard to learn the music well and travelled with the other members to New York City, where she boarded the wrong plane by accident and almost didn't make it home.

When asked about Sydnei's talent and involvement in choir, Director Linda Vanderpool said, "Sydnei is a very caring person. She tends to be quiet but thinks things through and works very hard. When you hear her sing a solo, it's like 'where'd that come from? She's always so quiet!'



photo by Derek Claussen

# SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

## *Eric Selander*

"In many ways, Eric Selander has demonstrated how any student can get the most out of his or her high-school experience. He found areas in which he was interested and consistently worked at gaining experiences in those fields. His pursuit of those experiences has been tireless. Eric could certainly be seen as one model for achieving a great deal in secondary school arts program." These words from Mr. Hildreth encapsulate who Eric is.

You cannot succeed if you don't try. Our Senior Spotlight student knows this. If something interests him, he will try it, work at it, and then decide if it's for him or not. Eric is a hard worker and has excelled in all of his talents because of it.

"I will always remember what a great listener, supporter, and friend Eric has been," stated friend Emily Neve. She also said what an extremely talented actor he is.

Eric is unique because he has such diverse talents and does so well at all of them. Seldom does a student such as Eric come along. Everyone at Hoover, both students and staff, has benefited from knowing him. He will be remembered forever!



Brandon Dodd

Ryan Dotson

Joshua M. Dreyer



Arnela Dubinovic

G.W. Duff

Travis Dyson



Edmir Dzolota

Daniele Edmond

Derek Eidson



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Nicole Ertmann

La Shunda Evans

La Toya Evans



David Farlow



Adam Fettters



Falisha Flatt



Jorge Flores



Marisol Flores



Abigail Foster



Jake Frahm



Matthew D. Frazer



Jennifer French



Lindsay Gannon



Stratton George



Antwain Gibbs



Ricardo Giron



Alissa Gordon



Laverne Greenfield



Franz "Poncho" Guerra



Chris Hall



Ulyssa Hampton



Dana Hansen



Bryan Harper



Charnelle Harris



Dylan Hall Harris



Sydnei Harris



Jed Hayes



Anthony Hays



Marshon Haynes



Brandon Heidt



Candy Hemphill



Nesiha Hodovic



Nihad Hodovic



Eldin Hodzic



Nedzad Hodzic



Nicole Hoffman



Erin Holler



Diandra Lashay Holmes



Chad R. Holtz



Elizabeth Sarah Hotka



Duyen Huynh



Monique Ann Hymel



Tinela Ibkic



Sokira Ieng



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Dukin' it out- Galen Mayes shows Laverne Greenfield how it's done.



Michelle Jackovich



Aaron Jamison



Chad Johnson



Jeremy Johnson



Meredith Jones



Matthew Jorgenson



Tuomas Julin



Dan J. Kaminski



Nathan Karaidos



Meghan Marie Kelso



Ronald R. Kepple



Felisha King



Lisa Marie Kirch



Joanna Kirstein



Sparkle L. Kittrell



*photo by Meghan Kelso*

See, we study- Erica Owen and Tracy Cochran study in the student center.



Shauna Kline



Jason Kramersmeier



Amanda Joy Kreyling



Milena Krstajic



Jordan Krueger



Chris Kuhn



Aaron F. Kuiken



Kris Kuilema



Graham Laird



Josh Lamar



Justin O. Lamar



Timothy Michael Lawson



Sarah Furman Lerdal



Amanda Marie Logsdon



Caulinez Lovan



Bobby L. Malloy



John Maly



Andrew R. Marotti



Jessica Marselle



Jeremiah May



photo by Lonnie Carter

Smile big- Shauna Kline and Sara Cline show off their pearly whites.



Galen Donnell Mayes



Enisa Mehinovic



Isis Mendias



Amy Marie Mertes



Kari Messerschmidt



Michelle Meyer



Oscar Meza



Erica Miller



Victor Miranda



Immanuel Mosley

Esma Mujic

Azra Mukanovic

Emsad Music



John Nadler



Jessica Elline Neff



Emily Ann Neve



Nhung Ngo



Hoang Nguyen



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**Workin' hard-** Fabrizio Vasquez, Marshon Haynes, Aaron Boston, and Derek Eidson take time out from working hard to smile for the camera.



Hoai Nguyen

Thao Nguyen

Norman Norfleet



Mirsada Odobasic

Michael O'Hara

Trayton Olivero



Sara Beth Ostrander

Erica Owen

Katie Panovec



Sara Ann Parker



Erik Paul



Joseph Robert Peterson



Cindy Pham



Hanh Nhu Pham



Ngoc Pham



Rachel Ann Pokos



Ryan Lucas Pollock



John Potter



Amber Pritchard



Mark Quiner



Judith Quinones Claguez



Muris Rahmanovic



Alen Rizvanovic



Lisha Robinson



Gerardo Rodriguez



Tonya Rodriguez



*photo by Lonnie Carter*  
Good ol' buddies- Vanessa Daniels, Beth Weiberg, and Judith Quinones bond during class.



Sead Rosic



Miriam Ruiz



Dan Rushing



Azra Sabic



Pamela Salazar



Hajrita Samardzic



Suad Samardzic



Luis Sanchez



Josue Sandoval



Anne-Catherine Sartieaux



Niki Scharping



Jon Schoenberger



Dennis Schofield



Nicole Schrader



Paul Scott



Eric Selander

Imagine that- Sokira leng is caught in the hall during class.

photo by Tom Hanlon



Ajdin Selimovic



Jacob Shannon



Jon Sharp



Matt Sheaffer



Joshua Sieglaff



Amy Simpson



Zlata Sinanovic



Edber Sivac



Anela Skenderovic



Lissa Erin Slotterback



Ellen Smith



Misty Louise Spencer



Ethan St. Clair



Andrew Stolze



Megan Strum



Anna Marie Suckow



Ramiza Talic



Nathan Ernst Thiese



Temeshia Thompson



Keith Tilton



Joseph Tippins



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**Senior spirit-** Jessica Neff, Katie VanLiew, and Emily Neve show their senior spirit on the traditional toga day.



Lindsey Tolly



Amanda Tripp



Richard Upah



Emily Anne Vance



Raean Van Gundy



Katie Van Liew



Sherry Lynn Van Zee



Fabricio Vasquez



Dan Veasman



Vedad Velagic



Bryan Weber



Forest Weber, Jr.

Elizabeth Kay Weiberg

Sherrille Welch

Sarah White

Johanna Wiese



Julie A. Williams

Patrice Marie Williams

Alexa Marie Woody

Shantoria Young

Kelvin Zanders



Mevlja Dautovic  
Benjamin Ford  
AmanGhumman  
Amanda Lamb  
Dieu Luong  
Nicholas Thompson  
Jessica Williams



photo by Lonnie Carter

Belma Zornic



photo provided by Lonnie Carter

Posin' for a pic-Lonnie Carter, Raechel Bradley, Sara Parker, and Mike Collet smile for the photographer.



photo by Sara Ostrander

All wrapped up-Anna Suckow has Joe Brott have fun in newspaper.

Loungin' around-Nanthida Deuanepheng and Sherry Van Zee relax in the counseling office.

# L<sub>o</sub>ed

by their peers

Advised by Ms. Marcucci, this year's Senior Board consisted of eight board members. The members were elected by their peers. The board was in charge of getting the senior class to vote on the class motto, flower, and class colors. Committees, such as senior breakfast, prom, post-prom, graduation, and senior awards, were the duties of the board members.

Fundraisers held this year by the board for the senior class were a pen sale and a chainlink break at a pep assembly.

This year's elected chairpersons were: Josh Dryer for president, LaVerne Greenfield for co-president, Jeremiah May for vice president, Sam Bunn for co-vice president, Meghan Kelso for secretary, Mike Collet for co-secretary, Sherry VanZee for treasurer, and Ethan St. Clair for co-treasurer. Ambassadors selected by teachers were Cynthia Pham, Judith Quinones, and Azra Sabic.

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**We're all ears-** Sherry VanZee and Judith Quinones listen while the agenda is being discussed at a board meeting.

**Smile!**-Members of the Senior Board take time to smile for the camera after a meeting. Front row: Cindy Pham, Sherry VanZee, Mike Collet, Judith Quinones; Back row: Josh Dreyer, LaVerne Greenfield, Meghan Kelso, Mrs. Marcucci.



*photo by Lonnie Carter*

**I'll remember-** Josh Dreyer and Mike Collet write information down so they don't forget.

## Senior Board

By Meghan Kelso

# Captured in a dream

On May 6, 2000, the seniors of Hoover gathered at the Historical Building of Des Moines to enjoy their Prom. The theme "Captured in a Dream" set the tone with star balloons and moons adorning the room.

At about 10:30 p.m., the Prom Court was announced, which included Shannon Bolte, Meghan Kelso, Amanda Kreyling, Michelle Meyer, Sherry Van Zee, Josh Dreyer, Travis Dyson, LaVerne Greenfield, Chad Holtz, and Forest Weber. Immediately following was the announcement of Prom King and Queen. They were Chad Holtz and Sherry Van Zee.

Prom ended at 11:00 p.m., sending the seniors home for a quick change of clothes for Post Prom. Post Prom was held at Plaza Lanes and included activities such as bowling, casino games, and, of course, the traditional hypnotist.



*photo by Mullica*

**The King**-Chad Holtz is crowned Prom King by Debbie Stetson.

**Glowing girls**-Juniors Emily Anderson, Ariel Stokka, and Seniors Beth Weiberg, Lissa Slotterback, and Lizzie Burt let the photographer know just how much fun they are having.



*photo by Mullica*

## Prom

By Sara Parker



photo by Mullica

**Girls just wanna have fun**-Amanda Tripp, Amy Simpson, Nanthida Deuanepheng, Beth Weiberg, Lissa Slotterback, Sherry Van Zee, Shauna Kline, Michelle Jackovich, Nicole Schrader, Amber Pritchard, Meghan Kelso, Erica Owen, Sara Cline, and Lizzie Burt. All smiles-Joe Peterson, Nanthida Deuanepheng, Jon Sharp, and junior Whitney Baldwin smile for the camera.



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**The Queen**-Sherry Van Zee can't help but smile when Debbie Stetson crowns her Prom Queen.

**Here's looking at you!**-Forest Weber and Travis Dyson show off their classy tuxedos.

# Just rewards

The week leading up to graduation is a period of chaos and anxiety for most seniors. An important event for this week is the senior awards assembly, a time to reward industrious students with the awards that were

earned for their hard work and dedication throughout the year, not to mention during their entire high school careers.

This year's awards assembly was held on Sunday, May 21, 2000. Seniors were honored with scholarships, awards, and superintendent's recognition. The featured speakers were senior Sydnei Harris, Teacher of all Seasons Barb Jamison, and renowned poet Clara Wade.

All were proud of their hard work. Their dedication paid off well.



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**Having their cake**-Emily Hotka and Dana Hansen wait in the refreshment line after the awards assembly.

**Only the best**-Meghan Kelso receives a special award.

**Waitin' to be honored**-Forest Weber, Beth Weiberg, and Sherry Van Zee line up to go into the auditorium.



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## Speakers



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**Sydnei Harris**



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Mrs. Barb Jamison**  
Teacher of All Seasons



photo by Sara Ostrander

**Clara Wade**  
Poet and Honored Guest

## Senior Awards

By Vanessa Daniels

## SPECIAL AWARDS

### HIGHEST FIFTEEN PERCENT IN SCHOLARSHIP

Donna Bates	Elizabeth Hotka	Ngoc Phan
Morgan Bell	Duyen Huynh	Mark Quiner
Megan Boesen	Amanda Kreyling	Muris Rahmanovic
Quyen Chau	Timothy Lawson	Jacob Shannon
Phung Dao	John Maly	Jon Sharp
Nanthida Deuanephenth	Kari Messerschmidt	Lissa Slotterback
Joshua Dreyer	Nhung Ngo	Andrew Stoltze
Nicole Ertmann	Hoai Nguyen	Megan Strum
Sydney Harris	Thao Nguyen	Nicholas Thompson
Candace Hemphill	Cynthia Pham	

### HIGHEST THREE PERCENT IN SCHOLARSHIP

Joseph Brott	Meredith Jones	Anna Suckow
Elizabeth Burt	Meghan Kelso	Joseph Tippins
Sidney Butler	Shauna Kline	Amanda Tripp
Sara Cline	Emily Neve	Kathryn Van Liew
Tracy Cochran	Erica Owen	Sherry Van Zee
Dianna Deskin	Joseph Peterson	Sarah White
Dana Hansen	Rachel Pokos	

### SALUTATORIAN

Meredith Jones

### VALEDICTORIAN

Joseph Brott	Dana Hansen	Joseph Peterson
Elizabeth Burt	Meghan Kelso	Anna Suckow
Sidney Butler	Shauna Kline	Amanda Tripp
Sara Cline	Emily Neve	Kathryn Van Liew
Dianna Deskin	Erica Owen	Sarah White

\*\* Salutatorian and Valedictorians as of this time no one will be taken off but some students may be added.

# Bright shiny one last morning

The sun had barely begun to shine, yet the class of 2000 was stumbling into the cafeteria for one final meal together.

They laughed.

They cried.

They came to terms with the fact that their lives were changing, and things may never be the same again.

After the seniors finished with their pancakes, the moment they had been waiting for all year finally arrived. The class announced the winners for a variety of different awards, many of them wacky, awards. We identified the students from the biggest flirt to the worst driver. We also discovered who was the most likely to be rich and most likely to win a Nobel Peace Prize.

The breakfast was a great opportunity for the graduating class of 2000 to say good-bye to each other and the school they had been a part of for so long.

**Acceptance speech**-The seniors honor Mr. McCollaugh and the school with a gift that will grace the halls for many years to come.



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# The end of a chapter

On May 27, the class of 2000 said their final good-byes to Hoover High School. With this good-bye, they ended a very long journey and another chapter of their lives.

The ceremony was held at 5:00 p.m. at the Knapp Center. Speeches were given by Eric Selander and John Dryer. The band and the choir joined together in "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." After diplomas were given out, the new graduates grew teary-eyed as they listened as students one last time to the Alma Mater, sung by the Harmony Choir.

Fathers looked proud as mothers watched with tears in their eyes. Another chapter has been closed, but a whole new future story awaits the class of 2000.



photo by Chris Heikes of Herff Jones



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## Commencement

By Ana Albizures

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**The year 2000 held many highlights that commemorated change. As the year continued on, the people made it clear that they were looking for changes--something new. The highlights all began with a smashing celebration to welcome the new year. Thousands of people flooded Times Square waiting for the brand new shiny ball to drop.**

**Musicians Lenny Kravitz, right, and Eric Clapton perform on stage during VH1's Concert of the Century, a tribute to the influence of music on young people, Saturday, October 23, 1999, on the South Lawn of the White House in Washington. The National Endowment for the Arts and the VH1 Save the Music Foundation brought together some of today's most popular singers of country, rock, soul, and the blues Saturday, to share their musical inspirations of the 20th Century. (AP Photo/Pablo Martinez Monsivais)**



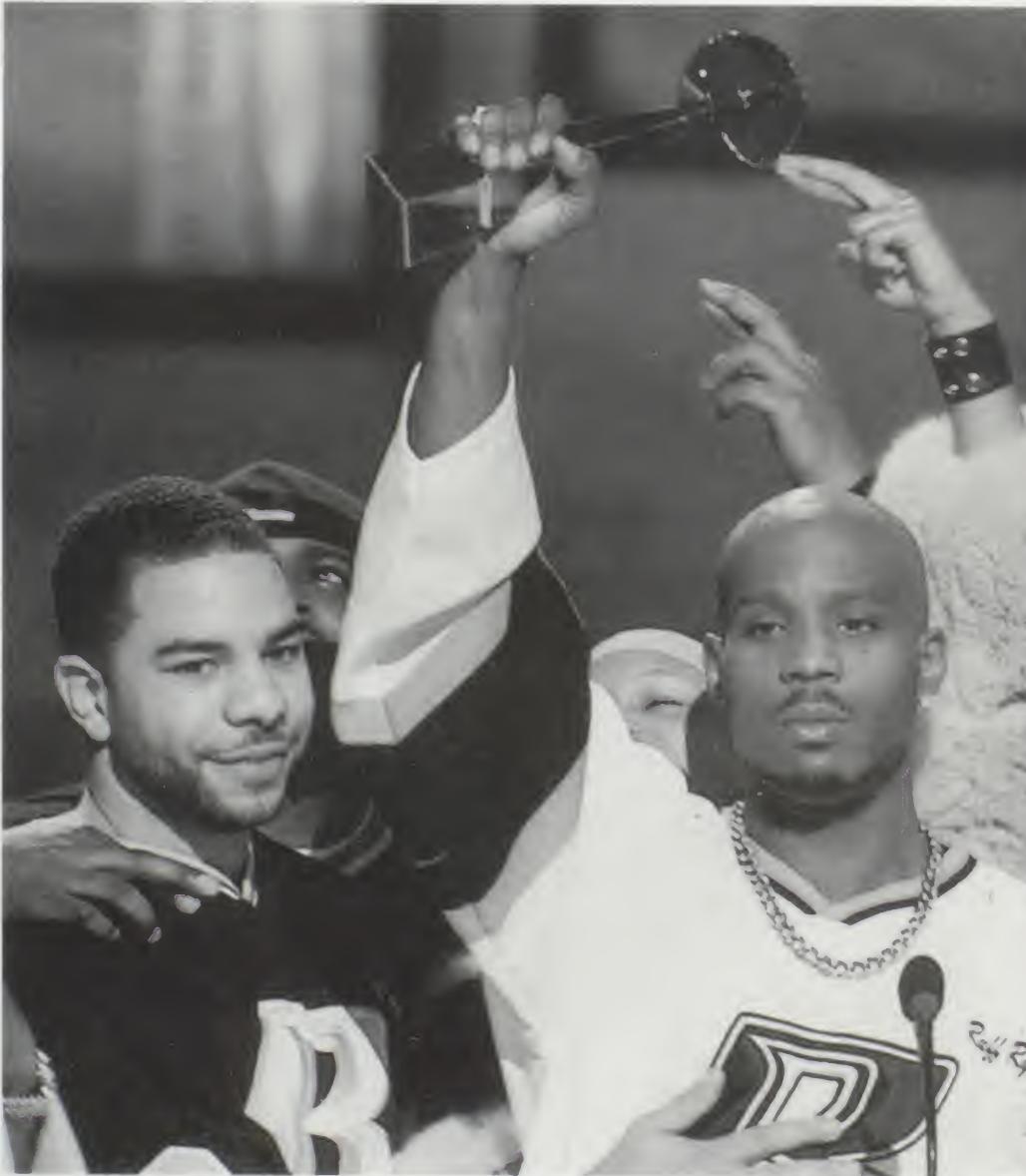
**Singer Lauryn Hill performs for the first UPN's The Source Hip Hop Music Awards at the Pantages Theater in the Hollywood area of Los Angeles, Wednesday, August 18, 1999. (AP Photo/Kevork Djansezian)**

**Carlos Santana, left, and producer Clive Davis pose with their Grammys at the 42nd Grammy Awards in Los Angeles, Wednesday, February 23, 2000. Santana won a record-tying eight Grammys. (AP Photo)**



**The guys of \*N Sync shattered records by selling 2.4 million copies of their album *No Strings Attached*. The record was previously held by The Backstreet Boys.**

**DMX, center, surrounded by friends and supporters, accepts the R & B Album Artist of the Year during the 1999 Billboard Music Awards at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas, Wednesday, December 8, 1999. (AP Photo/Laura Rauch)**





**The Dixie Chicks** perform at Pine Knob Music Theater in Clarkston, Michigan, Saturday, August 14, 1999, at Lilith Fair. The music festival, which features female performers, will play Cleveland, Indianapolis, Chicago, Toronto, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, and Denver before ending, for good, with a show in Edmonton, Alberta. (AP Photo/Paul Warner).



**The band Korn** poses for the media after winning the best rock video award Thursday, September 9, 1999, at the 1999 MTV Video Awards in New York. (AP Photo/Suzanne Plunkett)



The **solar eclipse** seen through a 400mm camera lens with a pair of supermarket eclipse viewing sunglasses, stuck at end of the lens, (dark spot in image) seen in London Wednesday, August 11, 1999. This is the view that many thousands of solar eclipse watchers saw during the event, which is the last solar eclipse of this millennium. (AP Photo/Max Nash)



**A touching New Year's scene**, as Mizumi Malfitano kisses her husband, Francesco, as they celebrate the arrival of the new millennium in New York City's Times Square shortly after midnight, Saturday, January 1, 2000. The Malfitanos are from Italy. (AP Photo/Stephan Savoia)

## Shining into the New Millennium

The New Year's Eve ball dropped, and things began to take off. The entertainment industry was flooded with new faces, as was the sports world; and politics took off with the presidential races in full swing. Along with these new faces arose a few old faces.

Veteran Carlos Santana rose to the top, winning eight Grammys, including one for album of the year. Among the newer faces are five guys who call themselves \*NSync. They released their sophomore album, *No Strings Attached*, on March 21, 2000, and rose to the top by selling 2.4 million copies in one week. Over one million of those copies were sold on the release date alone, sending them straight to the top of the Billboard Charts.

In the sports world, women began rising to the top, with 21-year-old Laila Ali leading the way as she fought her first professional fight. Kurt Warner, a brand-new face in the NFL, led the St. Louis Rams to a Super-Bowl victory, showing that a man from humble beginnings can succeed as well as anyone else.

Campaign 2000 took off with The Caucuses in the heart of the Heartland, right here in Iowa. Presidential candidates would drop out one by one, leaving the top runners, Al Gore for the Democrats and George W. Bush for the Republicans. This started a whole new span of debates to decide who would come out on the top in the November election.

Altogether, the year 2000 brought much success to the rich and famous, as well as to regular people like you and me. These happenings filled our year with memories that will last forever.



**The Dalai Lama** talks to concertgoers at the World Festival of Sacred Music at the Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles, on Sunday, October 10, 1999. (AP Photo/Reed Saxon)

**First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton** speaks to a crowd of supporters after her visit to the Bassett Healthcare facility Thursday, July 8, 1999, in Cooperstown, N.Y. The first lady, a potential candidate for U.S. Senate, toured the state listening to New Yorkers' concerns. (AP Photo/Ron Frehm)

**Republican presidential candidate** Texas Gov. George W. Bush speaks at a rally in Clinton Township, Michigan, Sunday, February 20, 2000. Bush campaigns in Michigan for the state's upcoming presidential primary. (AP Photo/Eric Gay)

**Tragedy strikes as** Fatma Tandogan, 51-year-old earthquake survivor, weeps as she looks for her belongings in her collapsed house in Golcuk, Turkey, Friday, August 27, 1999. Turkish officials acknowledged for the first time that Friday that the number of those left homeless by last week's massive earthquake could top half a million. The government projected it would need to build about 100,000 to 120,000 new homes for quake victims, said Harun Aslan, spokesman for the Ministry of Housing and Public Works. (AP Photo/Murad Sezer)



**Bricks and other** debris land on top of a row of parked cars in Mexico City following an earthquake in Mexico City on Thursday, September 30, 1999. A strong earthquake hit southern Mexico, over 200 miles southeast of Mexico City, causing buildings to sway in the capital for several minutes. (AP Photo/Jose Luis Magana)



**Vice-president Al Gore** paddles a canoe down the Connecticut River in Windsor, Vermont, as part of a campaign swing through New Hampshire, Thursday, July 22, 1999. (AP Photo/Toby Talbot)





Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak, left, shakes hands with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, right, early Sunday, September 5, 1999, after signing a land-for-security agreement in the Egyptian resort town of Sharm el-Sheikh as U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, right, looks on. (AP Photo/Dimitri Messinis)

Laila Ali, 21, the second-youngest of boxing great Muhammad Ali's nine children, flexes during the weigh-in for her first professional fight at Turning Stone Casino in Verona, New York, Thursday, October 7, 1999. Ali weighed in at 166 pounds and would fight April Fowler at the casino Friday. Boxing promoter, Michael Acri, is seen in the background. (AP Photo/Dave Oxford)

The 1999 Kennedy Center honorees pose for photographers late Saturday, December 4, 1999, at the Department of State in Washington. Back row from left: dancer and teacher Judith Jamison, actor Sean Connery; front row from left: actor Jason Robards, singer/songwriter Stevie Wonder and comedian and pianist Victor Borge. (AP Photo/Tyler Mallory)



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Love, Dad, Mom, Kyle & John



## Sherry Van Zee

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God bless and we love you.

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Mom, Dad,  
Susy, and Mickey



## Eric Selander

For Eric:

The man who was born with a talent which he was meant to use finds his greatest happiness in using it.

Always follow your dream!!

Love, Mom



## Nicole Lea Schrader



Continue to enjoy your journeys with enthusiasm, determination, tenacity, integrity, and moxie . . . There's not enough space here to express the pride we hold for all that you have become and all that you are about to experience . . . YOU HAVE BEEN A BLAST!!!! We wish you continued successes . . . and to "Remember Your Bs" and "How very much you are loved"!!!! "Keep smiling, Baby Cheese"!!!!



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## Lisa Kirch



Congratulations, Lisa. We are very proud of you. We know you have a great future ahead of you.

God bless and we love you.

Mom, Missy, Eddie, and Maddie Jo

## Erica Owen



Dear Erica,

Set before you is a new beginning, a new chapter in your life and in the new millennium. Keep your focus on God foremost in your heart; trust him; and continue seeking his will in your life. Remember that the talents and gifts you have, God has given you. Set your sights high. Cherish each day and remember that, when you bring sunshine in the lives of others, the sunshine will surely shine on your life, as well. I'm so proud of all you've accomplished,. What a wonderful young woman you have become!

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Love,  
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Congratulations, Mike!  
We're very proud of you.

Love,  
Mom and Dad



## Michelle Jackovich

Remember the way each day will look to you all starts with WHO you're looking to. May your days be filled with as much joy and happiness as you've given us.

God Bless You Always.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, & Katie



## Erica Miller



Graduation time already! The years go by so fast. You've become a beautiful, responsible young woman. We will always be proud of you and who you are. Never lose your sweetness; believe in yourself; set your goals high; and you will achieve.

Love,  
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Remember: Mootsie, Mootsie, Mootsie!!  
Mom, Dad, & Megan



## *Megan Strum*

Your warm smile and sparkling eyes have always been a shining star in our lives. As you begin to follow your dreams, always remember how proud we are of you.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, & Todd



## *Sarah Anne Lerdal*



You are warmth, laughter, pride, and joy - the sunshine of our lives.

We wish for you happiness, pride in doing things well, new challenges and opportunities, and finally we wish for you a life filled with love--for close friendships and for a special someone to cherish, respect, and admire you.

Love, Mom and Dad

## *Melissa Carlson*

Your smile has always been my greatest joy.

Congratulations!

Love,  
Mom



## *Sara Cline*

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Love,  
Mom, Dad, & Lindsay



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## *Tracy Cochran*

To Our Tracy,  
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With much love,  
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Congratulations on this important milestone in your life.

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Love,  
Mom and Dad



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Remember you can do anything, and remember that you we are very proud of you.

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Congratulations and Best Wishes! We are very proud of you. Stay strong in your faith and God will guide you through life's journey.

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Mom and Dad



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All our love,  
Mom and Dad



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Love,  
Beth Weiberg

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The year started off by discussing the size, theme, and cover of our book. Everyone had great ideas and pitched in whenever it was necessary. We were able to get the important stuff out of the way early for a fun, but hard, year of work. I'd like to thank the yearbook staff for working every day on their pages. The pages were always turned in before or on the deadline date, and I appreciated that. You guys worked hard and did well. I think you and your classmates will enjoy reading your pages when we are older.

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